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PREFACE

PURPOSE AND PLAN

This is a spelling book pure and simple, designed for use in all the grades or years of school work above the third.¹ It has been arranged on a definite psychological plan, based upon an examination of the schools of nearly all the large cities of the country and upon a careful study of the actual spelling of more than 33,000 pupils.

The characteristic features of the book are:

1. The careful grading of the work in accordance with the natural growth of the child's comprehension; the words selected for each successive year being on a somewhat more mature mental plane.

2. The precedence given to common words.

3. The small number of words as compared with the ground covered.

4. The provision made for thorough drill, by means of constant reviews.

GRADING

As the book is graded upon the plan of postponing the presentation of a word until it has become familiar to the pupil, the study of the meaning of words is rendered practically unnecessary.

Another result of the plan of grading is to obviate largely the necessity for the study of pronunciation. Drill in pronunciation is needed on such words only as are liable to be mispronounced; and these — a comparatively small number in the case of familiar words — are indicated by daggers (†) in the text, and placed together syllabified and marked at the end of each year's work. Other words have not been divided into syllables; for, as my tests have shown that such division is

¹ The work for the first three years is given in the author's "Rational Spelling Book, Part I."

of no advantage, it has been thought best to lead the pupil to learn the words as they are used in life.

The system of grading adopted has served also to reduce the number of words in the book — as explained in another paragraph.

SELECTION OF WORDS

The words have been selected, primarily, with reference to their use in ordinary affairs; and the suggestion is offered that the time devoted to spelling *as such* be given to the words of the book in their order of presentation. Words not found in the spelling book, or arising in the classroom before they have been reached in the book, should be taught incidentally, and only when the pupil has occasion to use them in written work.

If the words for the spelling exercises are selected from the school work rather than from the whole language,—a custom followed in some schools,—the instruction in spelling, from the standpoint of orthography, is necessarily unsystematic and directed to the vocabulary of the schoolroom rather than to that of the ordinary affairs of life. Furthermore, it is not reasonable to suppose that words selected at random by the teacher—a plan pursued in other schools—can so fully meet the demands of later life as those carefully selected and graded after a discriminating consideration of every word in the language. Moreover, it is only by means of a rational sequence in the order of presentation that justice in the matter of common words can be done to those children who are obliged to leave school before the end of the course.

NUMBER OF WORDS

That the ground covered is much larger than is indicated by the number of words in the book, is due to the exclusion of many classes of words that require no special drill.

An effort has been made to exclude all words containing no real orthographical difficulty.

To a very large extent, derivative words formed according to rule have been omitted. This implies, of course, that the rules themselves must be thoroughly learned. While it is true that the study of rules is to a certain extent mechanical, yet the amount of mechanical work therein involved is very

small as compared with that required in studying individually all the words to which they apply. When the rules are understood only the exceptional words need be studied individually, and these at the time they occur in the regular course.

There are in all not more than three classes of rules calling for careful study; and these are presented in a very simple form on pages 127, 128. The words to which they apply reach far into the thousands; but the exceptions among common words do not exceed a score. The belief that rules are not worth studying, on the ground that they are all offset by exceptions, is, therefore, not well founded.

While it would be absurd to expect the pupil to grasp these rules in the course of a week or a month, it is equally absurd to imagine that he cannot learn and apply them when they are called to his attention day after day for several years, in accordance with the plan pursued in this work.

Further, an abridgment of the course has naturally resulted from the system of grading employed. According to this system, as has been indicated, the spelling of a word should be studied only after its use and meaning are known to the pupil. It has been found, however, that very many words belonging to the maturer years are so easy to spell that, when the proper time for their introduction arrives, drill on them is no longer required. Consequently, those words have been entirely omitted which, from a psychological standpoint, belong to a high grade, while, orthographically, their grading should be low. The number of words thus naturally excluded, and without detriment to the course, is very large.

The system which does not call for the spelling of a word until its meaning is understood, may perhaps be said to close at the end of the seventh year, when the words of the ordinary vocabulary have for the most part become exhausted. For this reason words may be found in the eighth year's list which some might consider beyond the pupil. The words in the supplementary list are not intended for the elementary schools.

A careful selection of geographical names, difficult to spell, will be found on pages 123-126. They cover the entire field. That the number of these words is small is due to the fact that nearly all the names of important places are easy to spell.

ARRANGEMENT OF WORDS

The book has been divided into lessons, each of which represents an entire week's work — not counting the reviews and special lists. The number of words in a lesson varies from 15 to 24. Frequently, words are repeated at the end of the lesson with derivatives, for practice in the application of the rules.

With certain exceptions, the arrangement of the lists has been guided either by orthographical analogy or by the meaning of the words. The arrangement by analogy, it is believed, will render the study of new words very easy. But, to obviate the objection that has been made to such an order, — namely, that spelling thus learned is quickly forgotten, — many of the words are repeated in reviews, so that, when they have once been memorized, the aid of analogy is withdrawn.

REVIEWS

The provisions for reviews are numerous.

In the fourth and fifth years, as in Part I, most of the words appearing in the columns are immediately repeated in sentences; and every fifth lesson is devoted to a review of the more difficult words — alphabetically arranged — contained in the four preceding lessons. At the end of the fourth year will be found a review of the most difficult words in Part I.

After the fifth year, the sentences are omitted, but provision is made for the review of the most difficult words at the end of every sixth lesson.

At the end of each year's work, throughout the book, will be found an alphabetical list of many of the difficult words on all the preceding pages.

In conclusion, the suggestion is offered that not more than fifteen minutes daily be devoted to spelling, including both study and recitation. As I have shown elsewhere, additional time given to the subject is not rewarded by additional return.¹

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¹ See "The Futility of the Spelling Grind," in *The Forum* for April and June, 1897.

FOURTH YEAR

1

contain	detain	speed	service
complain	explain	greet	deserve
drain	vain	speech	observe
remain	weep	serve	preserve

The train, while going at full speed, ran into a car containing a great many people. The men in charge tried in vain to preserve order, as the weeping women did not give them a chance to explain matters. They were detained only a little while. Those who had worked at the cars were greeted with cheers for the service they had done.

deserve – deserving ^{1a}	observe – observing ^{1a}
try – trying ^{3a}	try – tried ^{3a}

2

verse	search	auburn	level
refer	firm	murder	novel
prefer	mirth	murmur	morsel
earthquake	shirk	occur ^{2a}	parcel

Has a search been made for the missing parcel?

Before the earthquake occurred, a murmuring noise was heard.

We must not shirk our work, although we may prefer to play.

The beggar did not have a morsel of food for breakfast.

The recital of the comic verses created much mirth.

refer – referring ^{2a}	prefer – preferred ^{2a}
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NOTE. — The marks, 1 a, 2 a, 3 a, etc., indicate the rules on pages 127, 128, which should be studied in connection with these words.

3

image	village	principal	mixture
courage	wedge	student	fixture
mucilage	charge	absent	nature [†]
message	plunge	regular [†]	lecture [†]

The principal of the village school sent a message to the absent scholar.

The young student showed courage when he plunged into the river after the drowning child.

Mucilage is a mixture of gum and water.

A lecture on nature study was given to the teachers at their last regular meeting.

charge – charging^{1a}

study – studying^{3a}

plunge – plunging^{1a}

study – studied^{3a}

4

session	alphabet	quire	arrange
trial	capital	margin	dictation
punctual [†]	period	eraser	quotation
exercise	pause	alter	penmanship

If we are careful in our dictation exercises, we need not use an eraser to alter what we have written. We must not forget to begin sentences with capital letters, nor to put periods in their proper places. Sometimes it is hard to use quotation marks correctly. Well-arranged papers and good penmanship will help the teacher in correcting the work.

The morning session begins punctually at nine o'clock.

care – careful^{*}

arrange – arranging^{1a}

* The suffix *ful* has only one *l*.

† This sign indicates words liable to be mispronounced. See page 28.

5

impudent	distant	important	relative
violent	instant	vacant	destructive
different	elegant	positive	sensitive
excellent	pleasant	active	expensive

The two brothers have quite different natures. One is impudent, and has a violent temper; the other is always pleasant.

That elegant house would not have been vacant so long if it had been less expensive.

The man has received an important message from his relatives, who live in a distant town.

6

action	condition	relation	selection
motion	position	donation	direction
mention	reception	collection	election
attention	invitation	objection	section

Did you get an invitation to the church reception? Some pretty selections will be played on the organ. There will be a fine collection of pictures in one section of the building.

Are you going in my direction? We can go together, if you have no objection.

Pay attention to the position of your body while writing.

7 (REVIEW)

arrange	important	pleasant	sensitive
courage	morsel	positive	service
different	mucilage	punctual	session
excellent	murmur	regular	speech
exercise	parcel	search	village

8

travel	valise	tunnel	vessel
traveler	satchel	cabin	canoe
passenger	baggage	passage	anchor
distance	locomotive	voyage	crew

When the traveler from the West reached New York, his baggage was taken to the vessel on which he had engaged passage for Europe. His valise was put into his cabin. After a voyage of six days the ship dropped anchor, and the passengers departed.

9

signal	accident	fashion	honorable
wreck	explosion	fashionable	miserable
scatter	confusion	agreeable	reasonable
injure [†]	repair	changeable	comfortable [†]

The railroad accident occurred because the signal failed to work. When the locomotives crashed into each other, an explosion took place and several cars were wrecked. All was in confusion, and many passengers were injured.

The weather would be agreeable if it were not so changeable. Fashionable clothing is not always the most comfortable.

change – changing^{1a} change – changeable^{1c}

HOMONYMS

coarse	This thread is too coarse.
course	What course did the ship take?
vain	We must not be vain.
vein	The man cut a vein in his hand.
four	There are four weeks in a month.
fore	The horse's left fore leg was broken.

10

expression	sensible	anxious	dangerous
admission	terrible	jealous	injury
permission	therefore	mischief [†]	injurious ^{3a}
possible	thoroughly	mischievous [†]	poisonous

We were thoroughly drenched in that terrible storm.

I am anxious to get home, and will therefore start at once.

The expression of the boy's face shows that he is mischievous.

Sensible people will not do what they know to be injurious to their health.

Many poisonous plants are dangerous to handle.

11

ostrich	mosquito	atlas	prepare
peacock	beetle	island	examine
hawk	centiped	desert	memory
gnat	caterpillar	geography [†]	review

Gnats and mosquitoes are very troublesome insects.

The peacock and the ostrich are noted for their beautiful feathers. The ostrich is found in the desert.

We use an atlas in preparing our geography lessons, and commit the most useful points to memory.

commit – committed^{2a} commit – committing^{2a}

12 (REVIEW)

accident	changeable	jealous	possible
agreeable	examine	mischievous	sensible
anchor	expression	mosquito	therefore
anxious	fashionable	passenger	thoroughly
baggage	geography	permission	valise

13

gauze	linen	trousers	scour
bracelet	pattern	jersey	dye
buckle	remnant	blouse	dyer
ornament	handkerchief	muffler	dyeing

There was just enough cloth in the remnant for a blouse. The pattern was pretty and in the fashion.

A buckle at the waist was the only ornament on the dress.

The white muffler was dyed a beautiful blue. The dyer also scours clothing.

14

musical	duet	ballad	bugle
festival	trio	opera [†]	mandolin [†]
choir	quartet	violin [†]	minstrel
chorus	octave [†]	flute	musician

Those who took part in the musical festival were all good musicians. A beautiful ballad was sung by a member of the minstrel company. Selections were played on the violin, the flute, and the mandolin. A quartet from an opera was given. The chorus consisted of forty trained singers.

HOMONYMS

choir	She sings in the choir.
quire	We have a quire of paper.
die	Did the bird die?
dye	Did she dye the ribbon?
dying	Is the bird dying?
dyeing	She is dyeing the ribbon.
paws	The cat has soft paws.
pause	He did not pause to think.

15

guide	hansom	pistol	habit
journey	omnibus	cannon	merit
scenery	axle	trigger	profit
carriage	bridle	muzzle	credit

In some countries the people are in the habit of making as much profit out of travelers as they can. Guides offer to show them the scenery. Shopkeepers point out the merits of their wares. Others try to force them to hire carriages or omnibuses. In certain places it is not safe to journey without a pistol.

16

ore	mineral	gravel	alum
zinc	solder	lye	borax
bronze	mortar	crockery	resin
copper	asphalt	porcelain [†]	benzine

Borax and lye are used in making soap.

Hard solder is composed of copper and zinc.

Gravel and asphalt are used for paving.

Porcelain is a fine grade of crockery.

Benzine is used for cleaning clothes.

Many ornaments are made of bronze.

17 (REVIEW)

admission	dangerous	journey	porcelain
asphalt	dyeing	mandolin	scenery
carriage	guide	memory	solder
choir	handkerchief	musician	terrible
chorus	injurious	poisonous	violin

18

spirit	evil	awkward	vulgar
liquid	drunkard	obstinate	sulky
liquor	quarrel	stubborn	neglect
alcohol	stagger	willful	ruin ¹

The drunkard staggered through the streets, and quarreled with his wife when he reached home. Alcohol aroused all the evil in him. His business was neglected and went to ruin.

Willful children sometimes grow sulky and obstinate when they are taken to task.

The mule is known to have a stubborn spirit.

19

argue	tempt	pretend	familiar
interrupt	boast	imagine	intimate
contradict	disappoint	imitate	respectful
interfere	falsehood	doubt	beautiful

You cannot imagine how disappointed we were that the rain interfered with the picnic; but we pretended not to care.

To interrupt and contradict is neither polite nor respectful.

Those who tell falsehoods are doubted even when they tell the truth.

argue - arguing ^{1b}	imagine - imagining ^{1a}
pity - pitying ^{3a}	pity - pitied ^{3a}

HOMONYMS

lie	Do not tell a lie.
lye	The lye will burn your fingers.
oar	The boatman lost an oar.
ore	The ore contained gold.

20

grief	excite ^{1a}	photograph	statue
grieve ^{1a}	calm	gallery	model
misery	ease	portrait	material
worry ^{3a}	peace	group	tissue

Some people lead a life of ease and peace; others seem to have nothing but worry and misery. It is not sensible to grieve and worry over trifles.

The members of the family had their portraits taken in a group. One of the pictures is hanging in the photograph gallery.

In the drawing lesson a statue was used as a model.

21

bruise	salve	feverish	drowsy
injury	poultice	headache	bolster
crutch	patient	hoarse	quilting
treatment	improvement ^{1a}	measles	embroider

John is still under treatment for his injury, but is making rapid improvement. Salves and poultices have nearly cured his bruises. Mary is nearly over the measles. She is not so hoarse and feverish as she was, and no longer complains of headache. The little patient looks quite comfortable, with her head resting easily on the embroidered pillow.

22 (REVIEW)

alcohol	group	interrupt	poultice
bruise	imagine	liquor	quarrel
disappoint	imitate	obstinate	spirit
familiar	improvement	patient	statue
grief	interfere	photograph	tissue

23

advice	commence	succeed	property
advise	prompt	success	college
direct †	proceed	necessary †	practice
appoint	continue	attempt	experiment

Our first efforts are not always rewarded with success. It is often necessary to make several attempts before we succeed. We should ask advice of those who are able to direct us.

The concert at the College of Music will commence promptly at eight o'clock and continue until ten.

advise – advising ^{1a} continue – continuing ^{1b}

24

almanac	heavenly	soul	altar
calendar	almighty	Sabbath	pulpit
autumn	sermon	religious	aisle
Christmas	praise ^{1a}	bless	pew

The minister's sermon on Christmas Day was very much praised. He prayed the Almighty to bless the people in the church, and to help them to do right. Palms and other plants decorated the altar. Every pew was taken, and many people were standing in the aisles.

HOMONYMS

soul	Not a soul was there.
sole	The sole of my shoe is worn out.
alter	Do not alter your work.
altar	The altar was covered with flowers.
seen	Have you seen my purse?
scene	It was a pretty scene.

25

suppose	receive ^{1 a}	nuisance	ruffian
desire ^{1 a}	benefit	laziness ^{3 a}	terror
collect	supply	nonsense	brute
charity	relief	mischiev [†]	fierce

A large sum is collected in the town for charity every year. Relief is supplied free to the helpless. Those who are strong do not receive money unless they work for it.

Laziness leads to mischief. Children who think only of nonsense are a great nuisance to the teacher.

26

column	occupy	particular	dictionary
circular	opposite	personal	apothecary
advertise	separate	ordinary	spectacle
advertisement		common	moisture

The house on the opposite side of the street has not been occupied for a long time. The landlord has placed an advertisement of half a column in the papers about it.

The apothecary is advertising his new shop. He makes a particular point of keeping his poisons in a separate closet.

occupy	—occupying ^{3 a}	occupy	—occupied ^{3 a}
advertise	—advertising ^{1 a}	advertise	—advertisement ^{1 a}

27 (REVIEW)

autumn	continue	opposite	relief
charity	mischiev	particular	religious
circular	moisture	praise	separate
college	necessary	proceed	spectacle
column	nuisance	receive	success

28

elevator	vestibule	gable	mansion
piazza [†]	panel	fountain	palace
veranda	lattice	hydrant	castle [†]
portico	ledge	faucet [†]	homestead

The old homestead looks very inviting. Its verandas are wide, and its vestibule is filled with plants. Honeysuckles are climbing up the lattice. The ledge of rock back of the grounds is covered with other creeping plants. There is a large fountain in the garden, which can be turned on or off by a hydrant hidden in the grass. Its many gables give the house a cozy look.

29

professor	actor	superintendent	cable
instructor	author	messenger	telegraph
tutor	collector	brewery	telephone
monitor	conductor	warehouse	telegram

The messenger was sent with a telegram to the warehouse. As the superintendent had already left, the clerk telephoned the message to his home.

One of the professors at the college is a well-known author.

The tutor appointed a monitor to take charge of the class during his absence.

HOMONYMS

peace	The country was at peace.
piece	The boy asked for a piece of bread.
row	The children stood in a row.
roe	The roe of some fish is good to eat.
groan	He heard some one groan.
grown	A full-grown animal.

30

training	directory	pronounce	behavior
department	history	poetry	progress
district	library [†]	poem	catalogue
committee	preface [†]	rhyme	dialogue

The library committee have bought some new books of history and poetry. This year's catalogue will soon be ready.

The rhyme makes the poem easy to remember.

Some of the names in the directory are hard to pronounce.

The members of the fire department receive thorough training for their work.

31

accept	dissect	inhale ^{1a}	telescope
presume	devour	urge ^{1a}	camera
postpone	slaughter	apology	microscope
beware	rouse	anxiety	magnify

The tiny parts of the dissected plant were plainly seen through the microscope.

A gentleman urged the doctor to come at once, as he was in great anxiety about his child. As the doctor was called a moment later to rouse a man who had inhaled escaping gas, he was obliged to postpone the visit to the child. When he explained the matter his apology was accepted.

32 (REVIEW)

accept	committee	library	rhyme
anxiety	faucet	messenger	slaughter
apology	fountain	microscope	superintendent
behavior	hydrant	palace	telescope
catalogue	lattice	professor	vestibule

33

menagerie	elephant	tiger	deer
museum [†]	buffalo	boar	hare
quadruped	lion	antelope	alligator
cattle	camel	beaver	crocodile

34

appetite	omelet	quince	honeycomb
diet	porridge	citron	huckleberry
victuals	sausage	prune	raspberry
biscuit	apricot [†]	sirup	cantaloupe

35

laborer	clothier	confectioner	buyer
brakeman	glazier	merchant	stationery
cooper	jeweler	florist	millinery
cobbler	milliner	customer	confectionery

36

celery	cinnamon	sandwich	oral
lettuce	poultry	dessert [†]	oval
olive	sirloin	caramel	comical
asparagus [†]	sardine	vanilla	liberal

HOMONYMS

him	Give it to him.
hymn	They sang a hymn.
moan	Did you hear her moan ?
mown	The new-mown hay smells sweet.

37 (REVIEW)

alligator	cantaloupe	customer	poultry
appetite	celery	elephant	raspberry
asparagus	cinnamon	glazier	sirup
biscuit	clothier	menagerie	stationery
brakeman	confectionery	millinery	victuals

Many satchels are made of the skin of the alligator.

The fresh air gave the brakeman a hearty appetite.

Asparagus and celery are tempting vegetables.

The children gave the elephant at the menagerie some biscuits.

The cantaloupe is a finely flavored melon.

Cinnamon is a spice used chiefly in baking and cooking.

The clothier was successful because he tried to please his customers.

Too much confectionery is not wholesome.

The glazier broke a pane of glass while fitting the show-cases in the new millinery store.

Poultry is a name given to chickens, geese, ducks, etc.

Raspberry sirup with water makes a refreshing drink in summer.

Writing material is usually bought at the stationery store.

The servant gave some victuals to the poor man.

HOMONYMS

boar	The man killed a wild boar.
bore	Why did you bore a hole through the desk?
deer	The deer is a pretty animal.
dear	Children are dear to their parents.
hare	The hare can run quickly.
hair	The little girl has long hair.

38

height [†]	cipher	multiplication	remainder
length [†]	addition	division	total
vertical	subtract	divisor	quotient [†]
horizontal	subtraction	dividend	increase ^{1a}
triangle	multiply ^{3a}	fraction	average

39

mayor	captain	lawyer	chief
governor	officer [†]	pastor	armory
president	soldier [†]	parson	prison
general	judge	warden	jail

40

noble	battle	shallow	truly ^{1b}
scramble ¹	simple	sorrow	prettily ^{3a}
tremble	sample	mellow	merrily ^{3a}
puzzle	curdle	possibly	heavily ^{3a}

41

shear	pulley	amusement ^{1a}	proof
razor	haul	delightful	prove
awl	kiln	introduce [†]	statement
wrench	pleasure	address	opinion

HOMONYMS

leak	The kettle has a leak in it.
leek	The leek is a garden vegetable.
wade	Let us wade in the creek.
weighed	The fish weighed four pounds.

42 (REVIEW)

addition	governor	lawyer	pleasure
captain	heavily	length	prove
chief	height	multiplication	quotient
cipher	increase	officer	soldier
division	judge	opinion	wrench

We can prove our answers in division by multiplication, and our answers in subtraction by addition.

The captain is the head of a company of soldiers.

A cipher at the right-hand side of a whole number increases its value.

The governor is the chief officer of the State.

The man wrenched his foot against a stone, and fell heavily to the ground.

We speak of the length of a river and of the height of a mountain.

The prisoner was brought before the judge; and the lawyer succeeded in getting him free.

We should not prize our own opinions too highly.

Pleasure is not the only object of life.

The answer in division is called the quotient.

HOMONYMS

awl	The shoemaker uses an awl.
all	Let us all go for a walk.
haul	Did the man haul a load of coal?
hall	The concert was given in the hall.
kiln	They are burning lime in the kiln.
kill	Why did the man kill the dog?
none	Have you none of your paper left?
nun	The nun is in the convent.

43

(REVIEW OF DIFFICULT WORDS)

accept	choir	governor	mischief
accident	chorus	grief	mischievous
addition	cinnamon	group	moisture
admission	cipher	guide	morsel
agreeable	circular	handkerchief	mosquito
alcohol	clothier	height	mucilage
alligator	college	hydrant	multiplication
anchor	committee	imagine	murmur
anxiety	confectionery	imitate	musician
anxious	continue	important	necessary
apology	courage	increase	nuisance
appetite	customer	injurious	obstinate
arrange	dangerous	interfere	officer
asparagus	different	interrupt	opinion
baggage	disappoint	jealous	opposite
behavior	division	journey	palace
biscuit	elephant	lattice	parcel
brakeman	examine	lawyer	particular
bruise	excellent	length	passenger
cantaloupe	exercise	library	patient
captain	expression	liquor	permission
carriage	familiar	mandolin	photograph
catalogue	fashionable	memory	pleasant
celery	faucet	menagerie	pleasure
changeable	fountain	messenger	poisonous
charity	geography	microscope	porcelain
chief	glazier	millinery	position

(REVIEW OF DIFFICULT WORDS — *Continued*)

possible	regular	sirup	telescope
poultice	relief	slaughter	terrible
poultry	religious	solder	therefore
praise	rhyme	soldier	thoroughly
proceed	scenery	spectacle	tissue
professor	search	speech	valise
punctual	sensible	spirit	vestibule
quarrel	sensitive	stationery	victuals
quotient	separate	statue	village
raspberry	service	success	violin
receive	session	superintendent	

44

(REVIEW OF DIFFICULT WORDS FROM PART I)

ache	beautiful	business	coffee
afford	bedstead	busy	color
afraid	beggar	cabbage	comfort
again	believe	caught	company
against	between	ceiling	correct
almost	bought	certain	cottage
already	bouquet	cheese	cough
also	breakfast	chocolate	country
always	breath	choose	couple
among	breathe	church	court
answer	bridge	circle	cousin
arithmetic	build	circus	crowd
aunt	bureau	climb	cruel
autumn	burglar	clothes	curtain

(REVIEW OF DIFFICULT WORDS FROM PART I—*Continued*)

cushion	fight	janitor	obey
daily	figure	juice	ocean
dairy	first	kneel	office
daisies	flannel	knuckle	onion
damage	forehead	laugh	orphan
daughter	forty	laughter	owner
depot	fourteen	leather	package
divide	freeze	listen	palate
doctor	friend	loose	parade
dose	fright	lose	parent
double	fringe	lounge	paste
dough	fruit	meadow	pearl
drowned	furnace	measure	peddler
early	geranium	medicine	pencil
earnest	gingham	minute	people
easy	glove	mirror	perfect
either	glue	mountain	picture
eleven	grease	move	piece
else	guess	muscle	pigeon
engine	health	music	pity
enough	heart	naughty	plaid
error	heavy	neighbor	plumber
failure	honest	neither	potato
family	honey	niece	pour
fasten	horrible	nineteen	powder
feather	icicle	ninety	preach
February	improve	noise	present
field	instead	nurse	pretty

(REVIEW OF DIFFICULT WORDS FROM PART I — *Continued*)

priest	season	strange	Tuesday
private	sense	strength	twice
promise	servant	study	tying
proper	severe	stylish	uncle
purple	shoe	sugar	until
purpose	shoulder	suit	vegetable
purse	shovel	sure	veil
queer	sieve	surprise	vein
question	sigh	taste	visit
quiet	sign	taught	wealthy
quite	skein	tease	weather
raisin	sleeve	thief	Wednesday
ready	sleigh	thirsty	welcome
reason	smooth	though	wharf
recess	something	thought	wheat
repeat	soup	thread	wheel
rinse	southern	threaten	whistle
rough	spare	throat	whole
satisfied	speak	through	wholesome
Saturday	spinach	tight	women
sauce	sponge	together	world
scarcely	square	tongue	worse
scholar	squeeze	touch	worsted
school	squirrel	tough	wound
scissors	steady	toward	wreath
scorch	stir	trouble	wrist
scratch	stitch	trough	wrong
scream	stomach	true	young

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(WORDS LIABLE TO BE MISPRONOUNCED) *

ā'pri cot	lec'tûre	op'ěr a
as pǎr'a gus *	length	pĩ az'za
cas'tle (kas'l)	li'bră ry	pôr'ce laĩn
com'fort a ble	man'do lĩn	prěf'ace
deș șert'	mis'chief	punc'tû al
dĩ rect'	mis'chie vous	quo'tient (kwō')
fau'cet	mũ șē'um	reg'ũ lar
gě ôg'ra phy	na'tûre	ru'ĩn
height (hĩt)	něc'ēs sa ry	sōl'dier
in'jũre	oc'tăve	vi o lĩn'
in tro dũce'	őf fĩ cer	

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(WORDS LIABLE TO BE MISPRONOUNCED, FROM PART I)

again	figure	recess	when
against	hasten	squirrel	where
aunt	knew	stomach	whether
chocolate	medicine	tiny	which
clothes	often	tomato	while
deaf	piano	toward	whip
dew	picture	vegetable	whistle
drowned	potato	wharf	white
duty	pretty	what	why
engine	radish	wheel	yeast

* The diacritical marks used are from Webster's International Dictionary.

47

(REVIEW OF HOMONYMS FROM PART I)

bear	A black bear.	road	A broad road.
bare	His feet are bare.	rode	He rode away.
bin	A coal bin.	right	It is right.
been	How have you been ?	write	Will you write ?
break	Did it break ?	sail	Did the boat sail ?
brake	Use the brake.	sale	A house for sale.
by	By the river.	seam	A wide seam.
buy	Did you buy it ?	seem	Does it seem right ?
fair	A fair day.	so	Is it so ?
fare	Pay your fare.	sew	Sew on the button.
great	A great man.	sow	Sow the seed.
grate	A fire in the grate.	steal	Do not steal.
herd	A herd of cows.	steel	A steel chain.
heard	I heard you.	stile	Step over the stile.
hear	Did you hear me ?	style	Dressed in the style
here	It is here.	tail	The horse's tail.
led	Led by a rope.	tale	A fairy tale.
lead	A lead pipe.	there	Were you there ?
pail	A pail of water.	their	Their new house.
pale	A pale child.	tide	A strong tide.
pain	Pain in the head.	tied	Tied to a fence.
pane	A pane of glass.	to	Come to me.
pair	A pair of shoes.	too	It is too large.
pear	A sweet pear.	two	I have two books.
pare	Pare the apple.	waist	A belt at the waist.
		waste	Do not waste time.

48

(PUZZLING WORDS FREQUENTLY MISSPELLED, FROM PART I)

any	many	such	where
been	much	their	which
come	none	there	while
could	off	these	who
does	often	they	whom
done	once	those	whose
each	should	were	why
here	some	what	would

FIFTH YEAR

49

obtain	bleach	bulge	serge
retain	streak	forge	conceit
bail	feast	singe	deceit
retail	dredge	singeing*	deceive

While dredging the river to obtain a better flow of water, the men came upon a streak of gold in the sand.

The tailor ruined the serge coat by singeing the sleeves.

The children left the feast with their pockets bulging.

If we deceive people we cannot retain their friendship.

dredge – dredging^{1a} deceive – deceiving^{1a}

50

droop	accuse ^{1a}	blur	turban
gloomy	acute	spur	due [†]
include ^{1a}	brute	surf	cue
intrude	absurd	burden	hue

The surf looks gloomy when the sky has a leaden hue.

The horse was drooping under his heavy burden. It was absurd to hurry the poor brute when he was so weary.

In their own countries Turks wear turbans, and Chinamen wear cues.

spur – spurring^{2a} blur – blurred^{2a}
 weary – wearying^{3a} weary – wearied^{3a}

NOTE. — The marks, 1a, 2a, 3a, etc., indicate the rules on pages 127, 128, which should be studied in connection with these words.

* Singeing is an exception to rule 1a.

† This sign indicates words liable to be mispronounced. See page 50.

51

herb	stern	serpent	pier
verb	concern	clergy	pierce
adverb	converse	assert	brief
berth	service	certain	belief

The steamer at the pier has just arrived after a long voyage. It was asserted by all that the service had been excellent. During a storm the captain was much concerned for the safety of the vessel. For a brief period he would not converse with any of the passengers.

converse – conversing^{1a} pierce – piercing^{1a}

52

dense	breadth [†]	dental	crystal
expense	deafen [†]	nasal	sandal
immense	heather	vocal	annual
glimpse	readily ^{3a}	mental	continual ^{1b}
license	readiness ^{3a}	spinal	cardinal

A dense crowd had gathered to see the unveiling of the statue. In spite of its immense size, it was hard for us to get a glimpse of it. The continual cheering was deafening.

Some problems can be readily solved by mental arithmetic.

The face of a watch is covered with a crystal.

Nasal tones are apt to spoil the effect of vocal music.

HOMONYMS

bail	The prisoner could not get bail.
bale	A bale of hay fell off the wagon.
birth	What is the year of your birth?
berth	He was lying in his berth.

53

type	syllable	stanza	fable
volume	initial	couplet	record
magazine	hyphen	paragraph	diary
gazette	accent	historical	memorandum

Stanzas and couplets are divisions in poetry. Paragraphs are divisions in prose. In pronouncing words, care must be taken to place the accent on the proper syllable.

The magazines, which contained some interesting fables and historical facts, were bound into a volume.

Initial letters of chapters are often printed in fancy type.

54

pianist †	baritone	choral †	tambourine
organist	orchestra †	melody	accordion
soprano	overture †	rehearse ^{1a}	melodeon
tenor	quadrille	chord	violoncello †

The tenor voice is not so high as the soprano, but is higher than the baritone.

The orchestra rehearsed the overture many times.

A charming melody was played on the violoncello.

The accordion is quite easy to play; but it takes an organist to perform well on the melodeon.

55 (REVIEW)

accordion	conceit	license	rehearse
accuse	converse	magazine	service
acute	deceive	melodeon	singeing
belief	immense	orchestra	syllable
breadth	initial	pierce	violoncello

56

upholsterer	inventor	customary	machinery
manufacturer	mechanic	boundary	mockery
machinist	hostler [†]	delivery	perfumery
inspector	jockey	discovery	shrubbery

The tracks in the shrubbery led to the discovery of the thief.

In some cities it is customary for health inspectors to examine milk before its delivery.

The mechanic became a skilled machinist. He was the inventor of a piece of machinery, and sold his patent to the manufacturer.

57

ignorant	annoyance ^{3c}	insurance ^{1a}	citizen
inhabitant	appearance	conveyance ^{3c}	alderman
acquaintance	assistance	ambulance	constable
admittance ^{2a}	attendance	comrade [†]	deacon

All the inhabitants of America were Indians before the white people made their appearance here. At first the latter were feared by the ignorant natives; but closer acquaintance between them led to friendship.

The ambulance conveyed the wounded citizen to his home.

HOMONYMS

cord	The package was tied with strong cord.
chord	He struck a chord on the piano.
due	The ship was due.
dew	The dew is falling.
fowl	The fowl was tender.
foul	He caught a foul ball.

58

convenient	negligent	floral [†]	dial
innocent	independent	spiral	cordial
intelligent	obedient	dismal	medical
impatient	diligent	brutal	arrival

It is almost a crime to be negligent in the sick room. Much can be done by an intelligent person without medical advice. A good nurse will neither tell the sufferer dismal stories nor become impatient when he wearies her. She will be diligent in carrying out the doctor's orders. A cordial greeting from the latter, on his arrival, will encourage the patient.

carry – carrying^{3a} . carry – carried^{3a}

59

illustrate [†]	animate	hesitate	feature
cultivate ^{1a}	granulate	regulate	creature
celebrate	ventilate	affectionate	capture
graduate	vaccinate	congratulate	future
decorate	punctuate	fortunate	scripture

When the student graduated, his parents celebrated the event. The house was decorated with cultivated plants, and friends called to congratulate the young man. He was so fortunate as to win a prize, and was hopeful of a successful future.

60 (REVIEW)

acquaintance	convenient	impatient	machinist
admittance	conveyance	independent	manufacturer
appearance	creature	innocent	mechanic
assistance	hesitate	intelligent	upholsterer
celebrate	hostler	machinery	vaccinate

61

buoy [†]	horror	toll	decide
launch	mishap	funeral	declare
capsize	mourn	tomb	accord
perish	doleful	epitaph	account

The account of the mishap to the launch was heard with horror in the town. The boat had struck a rock and capsized. Several of the crew perished.

The sound of the bells that tolled at the funeral hour was doleful. Every one in the place mourned for the drowned sailors. It was decided that a large tomb be made for them, and that an account of the event be included in the epitaph.

capsize – capsizing^{1a}

decide – deciding^{1a}

62

decanter	scent	ascend	flight
fluid	odor	ascent	roam
essence	perfume [†]	summit	soar
shampoo	cologne	altitude	hover

The decanter was filled with fluid having a very strong odor.

A small quantity of the essence of violet gives to cologne a delightful perfume.

An occasional shampoo will keep the scalp in good condition.

The bird in its flight soared to the summit of the mountain, and hovered about it for a while. It does not take a bird long to ascend to a great altitude.

HOMONYMS

sent	The girl was sent on an errand.
cent	The boy found a cent.
scent	The rose has a sweet scent.

63

request	approve	announce	devote
require	admire	dispatch	console
convince	attract	convey	ignore
control	appear	progress [†]	despise

A dispatch was conveyed to the general to announce the progress of the battle. It contained a request for more men, and stated that they were urgently required. The general was not convinced that the men were needed, and therefore decided to ignore the request. He did not appear to approve of the actions of the officer in control.

convince – convincing^{1a}

convey – conveyed^{3c}

64

wages	assign	debt	authority
salary	discharge	rogue	inquiry [†]
currency	premium	roguish ^{1b}	dutiful ^{3a†}
agency	honesty	justice	difficult

It was simply an act of justice to discharge the clerk when his dishonesty was discovered. An inquiry showed that the rogue was deeply in debt.

The dutiful son gave all his wages to his aged parents.

The agency had full authority to sell or rent the house.

65 (REVIEW)

announce	convey	essence	justice
approve	debt	flight	odor
assign	despise	honesty	roguish
buoy	difficult	horror	salary
cologne	epitaph	inquiry	scent

66

introduction	connection	exertion	payment ^{3a}
contradiction	affection	exception	agreement
conversation	alteration	elocution	argument ^{1b}
exclamation	ambition	invention	monument
graduation	exhibition	caution	refinement ^{1d}

An agreement was made with the artist to place the picture on exhibition.

The study of elocution helps the voice in conversation.

With few exceptions, the pupils attended the graduation exercises.

Needless contradiction is apt to lead to unpleasant argument.

To secure the introduction of his invention, was the man's greatest ambition.

study – studying^{3a}

study – studied^{3a}

67

imitation	preparation	digestion [†]	nervous
information	occupation	vaccination	delicious
interruption	reduction	ambitious	precious
punctuation	consumption	cautious	contagious

Vaccination will guard against certain contagious diseases.

It is well to be cautious in eating. Undue haste in the consumption of food often spoils the digestion.

The preparation of the work was delayed by frequent interruptions. Time is precious to ambitious persons.

HOMONYMS

sore He had a sore finger.

soar Did the bird soar high?

68

advisable ^{1a}	digestible [†]	instrument	various
enjoyable ^{3c}	divisible [†]	ancient	envious ^{3a}
excusable	discouragement ^{1a}	patience	studious
respectable	announcement ^{1a}	residence	furious ^{3a}

The doctor made an announcement of his change of residence.
Discouragement should not rob us of patience.

The girl was envious of her friend's success. If she had been as studious, she might have done as well.

The concert was enjoyable, but a shorter programme would have been advisable.

69

planet	territory ^{3a}	isle	arctic
sphere	peninsula	plateau	polar
equator	isthmus	prairie	harbor
continent	strait	valley ^{3c}	current

North America forms the larger part of the continent of America. Its territory extends from a few degrees north of the equator to the Arctic Ocean. It is connected with South America by an isthmus, and in the northwest is separated from Asia by a strait. Its coast is noted for its many beautiful harbors.

70 (REVIEW)

ambitious	contagious	exclamation	prairie
ancient	delicious	exhibition	precious
announcement	digestible	imitation	preparation
arctic	digestion	interruption	sphere
consumption	divisible	isthmus	territory

71

solemn	sacred	creator	cathedral
baptize ^{1a}	testament	psalm [†]	abbey
baptism	catechism	christen	synagogue
worship	proverb	belfry	mission

Many people paused to listen to the solemn chimes of the cathedral bells. A psalm sung by the choir greeted them as they entered the church for worship.

A baptism took place at the Mission House last Sunday. Five women were baptized, and a child was christened.

72

northerly	region	cleanliness ^{3a}	quality
northern	vapor	godliness ^{3a}	quantity
atmosphere	indistinct	holiness ^{1a}	balance
climate	imperfect	proverb	complete

In the northern regions, where the climate is cold, the atmosphere is usually clear. In many warm countries, however, vapor frequently rises in the air, which makes objects in the distance appear indistinct.

An old proverb says, "Cleanliness is next to godliness."

In some seasons, the fruit is large in quantity but poor in quality.

HOMONYMS

aisle	He is standing in the aisle.
isle	Isle is another name for island.
strait	The boat went through the strait.
straight	Can you draw a straight line?
current	The river has a strong current.
currant	The currant is a small berry.

73

union	liberty	inhabit	feminine [†]
united	happiness ^{3a}	dwelling	gossip
republic	custom	foreigner	envy ^{3a}
freedom	society	millionaire	fortune

The United States is a republic, and all its inhabitants enjoy the blessings of freedom. Many foreigners settle here because their own countries do not afford them enough liberty.

Millionaires are often envied. Their fortunes, however, do not always bring them happiness.

Gossip is one of the evil customs of society life.

envy – envying^{3a} envy – envied^{3a}

74

hearth [†]	eaves	moat	sewer
wainscot	terrace	cupola [†]	cistern
ventilator	vineyard	vane	hogshead
radiator	pavilion	promenade	trough

The old castle, which is encircled by a moat, stands on a broad terrace. A wide promenade leads from the house through the vineyard to a pavilion, which is topped by a gilded cupola. The hearths are richly tiled, and the wainscotings are made of expensive woods. The building is supplied with water from a large cistern.

75 (REVIEW)

atmosphere	feminine	millionaire	solemn
balance	foreigner	pavilion	synagogue
catechism	fortune	psalm	terrace
christen	freedom	region	trough
complete	hearth	society	vineyard

76

varied ^{3a}	assemble	wholly*	aware
singular	surround	plentiful ^{3a}	heartily ^{3a}
medium	support	comparison	grateful ^{1d}
majority	assure	conundrum	inherit

The mayor was elected by a large majority. This was not singular, as the citizens were grateful to him for his many kind acts. They were assured that he would heartily support any good cause, and conduct his varied duties wholly for their benefit. After the election he was surrounded by his friends, who assembled in his honor.

77

plumage	discourage	contractor	memorize ^{1a}
foliage	drainage	cashier	recognize
savage	guard	librarian	tantalize
advantage	guardian [†]	architect	pulverize

The guard at the menagerie would not let the children tantalize the savage beasts.

The advantages of good drainage are now duly recognized.

The librarian is the guardian of the books in the library.

The architect became discouraged because his plans were not approved by the contractor.

HOMONYMS

vane	There is a gilt vane on the house.
vain	We must not be vain.
vein	He cut a vein in his hand.
holy	Holy things are sacred.
wholly	Was the fault wholly his?

* Wholly is an exception to rule 1d.

78

patient	feeble	felon	iodine [†]
physician	strangle	abscess	liniment
invalid	ague	hiccough [†]	ammonia
disease	cholera	malaria	arnica

The physician painted the patient's chest with iodine.

The attack of cholera left the man very feeble. He remained an invalid for some time after the disease had disappeared.

It is waste of time to treat an abscess or a felon with liniment. Arnica is a good remedy for a bruise. There is danger in inhaling ammonia.

79

studio	etching	equip [*]	knight
easel	sketch	legacy	knoll
palette [†]	antique	heir	knell
stencil	specimen	heirloom	knapsack

The young artist had a well-equipped studio. Several fine etchings hung on the walls, and here and there were antique specimens of art. The latter were heirlooms in his family. In one corner of the room stood an easel with a half-finished sketch upon it. It represented a knight resting on a grassy knoll, with his open knapsack before him.

80 (REVIEW)

abscess	cashier	foliage	liniment
ammonia	cholera	guardian	majority
antique	companion	heir	physician
architect	discourage	hiccough	recognize
assure	disease	librarian	wholly

* Equip is no exception to rule 2 *a*, as *u* here has the sound of *w*.

81

government	patrol	explosive	plight
regiment	colonel	terrific	capture
victory	sergeant	effective	pursue
discipline	lieutenant	emergency	rescue

The colonel credited his victory to the splendid discipline of the soldiers in his regiment. The lieutenant who had acted so bravely in an emergency was promoted captain after the battle. He succeeded in rescuing a number of men who had been closely pursued by the enemy. The explosive manufactured by the government proved very effective.

pursue – pursuing ^{1b}

rescue – rescuing ^{1b}

82

gypsy	urchin	snare	eager
squaw	lackey	seize	droll
infancy	shepherd	vacate	affected
juvenile [†]	bachelor	vacancy	animated

The urchins played all sorts of juvenile tricks upon the aged squaw.

An animated discussion took place between the gypsies and the farmer, who ordered them to vacate his fields.

The wolf was caught in the snare which the shepherd had laid for him.

The lackey seized the burglar, who had almost escaped with his booty.

HOMONYMS

night	It was a cold night.
knight	The knight was clad in armor.

83

poplin	tweed	tulle	girdle
tarlatan	cashmere	damask	hosiery
mohair	silesia	zephyr	bodice
velveteen	seersucker	selvage	mackintosh

84

botany	dahlia	witch-hazel	acid
juniper	fuchsia	turpentine [†]	opium
myrtle	maize	sarsaparilla	camphor
laurel	rhubarb	pomegranate	licorice

85

sturgeon	tortoise	hyena	leopard
mackerel	scallop	guinea	giraffe
halibut	oyster	llama	heifer
anchovy	porpoise	rhinoceros	raccoon
terrapin	reptile	hippopotamus	kangaroo

86

dazzle ^{1a}	startle ^{1a}	compass	octagon
shuffle	nestle	diameter	rhomboid
whittle	title	rectangle	semicircle
brittle	particle	quadrangle	parallel

87 (REVIEW)

botany	hippopotamus	porpoise	sturgeon
dahlia	leopard	rhinoceros	terrapin
diameter	llama	rhubarb	tortoise
fuchsia	oyster	sarsaparilla	turpentine
giraffe	parallel	silesia	zephyr

In our botany lesson, we studied the different parts of the dahlia and the fuchsia.

Some big trees in California measure twenty-five feet in diameter.

The giraffe and the leopard have spotted skins.

The hippopotamus and the rhinoceros are very large and clumsy.

The llama resembles the camel, but has no hump.

Oysters are usually found on gravel or sand.

Lines are parallel when they run in the same direction.

The porpoise is a large fish, which often follows ships at sea.

Rhubarb and sarsaparilla are used much as medicines.

Silesia is a coarse cloth, taking its name from the town in which it was first manufactured.

Isinglass is made from the air bladder of the sturgeon.

Terrapin is a variety of tortoise, and is highly valued for food.

Turpentine is an oily substance obtained largely from the pine tree.

Shawls made of zephyr are light and warm.

HOMONYMS

berry	Holly has a pretty red berry.
bury	Did you bury the bird?
kernel	The peanut has a sweet kernel.
colonel	The colonel wore his uniform.

88

(REVIEW OF DIFFICULT WORDS)

abscess	arrange	choir
accept	asparagus	cholera
accident	assign	chorus
accordion	assistance	cinnamon
accuse	assure	cipher
acquaintance	atmosphere	circular
acute	bachelor	clothier
addition	baggage	college
admission	balance	cologne
admittance	behavior	colonel
agreeable	belief	committee
alcohol	biscuit	companion
alligator	brakeman	complete
ambitious	breadth	conceit
ammonia	bruise	confectionery
anchor	buoy	consumption
ancient	cantaloupe	contagious
announce	captain	continue
announcement	carriage	convenient
antique	cashier	convergence
anxiety	catalogue	converse
anxious	catechism	convey
apology	celebrate	courage
appearance	celery	creature
appetite	changeable	customer
approve	charity	dahlia
architect	chief	dangerous

(REVIEW OF DIFFICULT WORDS — *Continued*)

deceive	foreigner	innocent
delicious	fountain	intelligent
despise	fuchsia	interfere
diameter	geography	interrupt
different	glazier	interruption
difficult	governor	isthmus
digestible	grief	jealous
digestion	group	journey
disappoint	guardian	justice
discipline	guide	lattice
discourage	gypsy	lawyer
disease	handkerchief	length
divisible	height	leopard
division	hesitate	librarian
elephant	hiccough	library
emergency	hippopotamus	license
essence	horror	lieutenant
examine	hydrant	liniment
excellent	imagine	liquor
exclamation	imitate	machinery
exercise	imitation	machinist
exhibition	immense	magazine
expression	impatient	majority
familiar	important	mandolin
fashionable	increase	manufacturer
faucet	independent	mechanic
feminine	initial	melodeon
foliage	injurious	memory

(REVIEW OF DIFFICULT WORDS — *Continued*)

menagerie	permission	regular
messenger	photograph	rehearse
microscope	physician	relief
millinery	pierce	religious
millionaire	pleasant	rhinoceros
mischief	pleasure	rhubarb
mischievous	poisonous	rhyme
moisture	porcelain	roguish
morsel	porpoise	salary
mosquito	positive	sarsaparilla
mucilage	possible	scenery
multiplication	poultice	search
murmur	poultry	seize
musician	prairie	sensible
necessary	praise	sensitive
nuisance	precious	separate
obstinate	preparation	sergeant
officer	proceed	service
opinion	professor	session
opposite	psalm	silesia
orchestra	punctual	singeing
palace	pursue	sirup
parallel	quarrel	slaughter
parcel	quotient	society
particular	raspberry	solder
passenger	receive	spectacle
patient	recognize	speech
pavilion	regiment	sphere

(REVIEW OF DIFFICULT WORDS — *Continued*,

spirit	terrace	valise
stationery	terrible	vestibule
statue	territory	victuals
sturgeon	therefore	village
success	thoroughly	violin
superintendent	tissue	violoncello
syllable	tortoise	wholly
synagogue	upholsterer	zephyr
telescope	vaccinate	

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(WORDS LIABLE TO BE MISPRONOUNCED) *

breadth	fem'i nīne	or' ehēs tra
buoy (bwoi)	flō'ral	o' ver tūre
chō'ral	guard'ī an	pāl'ette
cu'po la	heārth	per'fume
dī gest' i ble	hic'cough (-kūp)	pī an'ist
dī ges'tion	hos'tler (-ler)	prōg'ress
dī vis' i ble	il lus'trate	psālm
dūe	in quīr'y	tur'pen tīne
dū'ti ful	ī'o dīne	vi o lōn cel'lo
	jū've nīle	

* The diacritical marks used are from Webster's International Dictionary.

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90

plural	pronoun	composition	recitation
vowel	noun	correction	explanation
consonant	subject	instruction	examination
article	sentence	education	promotion

educate – education *

recite – recitation *

91

density	capacity	exceed	temple
opaque	possess	extreme	pledge
condense ^{1a}	represent	reverse ^{1a}	masonic
produce ^{1a}	establish	precise	inventive

92

major	contractor	professor	recollect
minor	sculptor	notary	reflect
senior	proprietor	secretary	realize ^{1a}
junior	protector	missionary	rejoice ^{1a}

93

region	meridian	abyss	peril
latitude	tropical	channel	route
longitude	hurricane	explore ^{1a}	tour
thermometer	volcano	adventurous	tourist

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94

rugged	quaint	rivulet	struggle ^{1a}
ridge	horizon [†]	reservoir [†]	principle
natural	picturesque	suburban [†]	entitle
gorge	mountainous [†]	trestle	treadle

95

thorax	spleen	lacquer	marmalade
trachea	saliva	oakum	gelatine [†]
vertebra	fiber	savory	vermicelli
sinew	shell-lac	beverage	macaroni

96 (REVIEW)

abyss	exceed	peril	reservoir
adventurous	explanation	picturesque	reverse
beverage	extreme	possess	secretary
capacity	lacquer	precise	thermometer
condense	missionary	proprietor	tourist
education	mountainous	recitation	trachea
examination	opaque	recollect	vertebra

HOMONYMS

root	The root of a plant.	earn	To earn a living.
route	A traveler's route.	urn	A copper urn.
principal	The principal thing.	dough	Knead the dough.
principle	A man of principle.	doe	The skin of a doe.

NOTE. — The marks, 1a, 2a, 3a, etc., indicate the rules on pages 127, 128, which should be studied in connection with these words.

† This sign indicates words liable to be mispronounced. See page 66.

97

sincere	fidelity [†]	intimacy	partiality
worthy	equality	familiarity	idolize ^{1a}
genteel	purity	avored	inspire ^{1a}
ideal	sincerity	indulge	encourage

98

motor	battery	whirl [†]	adapt
valve	magnetism	lever	aspire
bicycle	magnetize	cylinder	ridicule
velocipede	revolve	register	embarrass

99

marine	yacht	purser	quay [†]
navy	barge	mariner	shoal
shipping	schooner	steward	shipwreck
rigging	admiral	substitute	perilous
sloop	pilot	guest	shatter

100

storage	vintage	parentage	construct
steerage	pasturage	mortgage	skillful
savage	percentage	undertake ^{1a}	employee ⁱ
luggage	cartilage	accomplish	industry

HOMONYMS

yolk The yolk of an egg.
yoke A yoke of oxen.

toe The big toe.
tow To tow a boat.

101

royal	dignity	militia	weapon
scepter	nation	military	blockade
throne	colony	barrack	patriot [†]
reign	borough	uniform	patriotism [†]
national [†]	capitol	salute	sacrifice [†]

102

Russian	Indian	czar [†]	viscount [†]
Roman	Chinese	emperor	monarch
European [†]	Japanese	viceroy	sovereign
French	sultan	marquis [†]	majesty

103 (REVIEW)

accomplish	familiarity	militia	sincere
bicycle	guest	monarch	skillful
borough	idolize	mortgage	sovereign
cylinder	intimacy	partiality	steerage
embarrass	magnetize	perilous	substitute
encourage	majesty	ridicule	velocipede
equality	marquis	sacrifice	viscount
European	military	scepter	yacht

HOMONYMS

rain	A shower of rain.	broach	To broach a subject.
rein	The horse's rein.	brooch	A diamond brooch.
reign	The king's reign.	burrow	To burrow a hole.
raise	Raise the shade.	borough	They live in a borough.
rays	The sun's rays.	thrown	Thrown from a horse.
raze	To raze by fire.	throne	On the king's throne.

104

access	pillar	indicator	jugglery
approach	corridor	chandelier	mystery
massive	reflector	chiffonier [†]	bribery
masonry	refrigerator	lambrequin	recovery

105

growth	commercial	bargain	deposit
flourish	manufacture	auction [†]	receipt
merchandise	product	security	treasury
commerce	purchase	partnership	bankrupt

106

wayward	obstinacy	scantly	necessity
venturesome	persevere	shabbily	possibility
abusive	persistency	paltry	liberality
profane	haughtily	severity	festivity

venture – venturesome^{1a} haughty – haughtily^{3a}

107

chemist	laudanum	glycerine [†]	pumice
prescribe	magnesia	ointment	pomade
science	mercury	phosphate	vaccine
vial	quinine	petroleum	dissolve

WORDS PRONOUNCED ALMOST ALIKE

vial	A vial of medicine.	capital	A capital letter.
viol	A bass viol.	capitol	The Capitol at Washington.

108

alternate	enumerate	circulate	narrate
moderate	estimate	mutilate	temperate
considerate	irritate	investigate	temporary
emigrate	perforate	appreciate	stationary
indicate	suffocate	associate	complimentary
irritate – irritation *		suffocate – suffocation *	

109

bazar	curiosity	contribute *	treasurer
purchase	shield	attribute	coroner
tapestry [†]	squander	distribute	magistrate
pedestal [†]	forfeit	constitute	lecturer

110 (REVIEW)

access	circulate	lambrequin	possibility
appreciate	commercial	magistrate	purchase
approach	curiosity	merchandise	receipt
associate	dissolve	mystery	refrigerator
attribute	flourish	necessity	science
bazar	forfeit	obstinacy	shield
chandelier	glycerine	persevere	suffocate
chemist	haughtily	persistency	treasury
chiffonier	irritate	petroleum	vaccine

WORDS PRONOUNCED ALMOST ALIKE

stationery	A stationery store.	dessert	A pie for dessert.
stationary	To be stationary.	desert	To desert a friend.

* See footnote, p. 51.

111

lengthy	manual	original	tableau
narrative	extract	theatrical	comedy
pamphlet	criticise	poetical	troupe
journal	genius	amateur	audience

112

dominion	signify	attitude [†]	pretense
frontier	notify	gratitude [†]	secrete ^{1a}
precinct	denial	determine ^{1a}	concrete
community	explicit	comprehend	random

113

swindler	counterfeit	loneliness ^{3a}	juror
conceal	detective	captivity	justice
secrecy	pursuit	dingy	condemn
shrewd	hastily ^{3a}	dungeon	guilty
scheme	cowardice [†]	impartial	penalty

114

hovel [†]	dispensary	surgery	energetic
tenement	infirmery	penitentiary	moral
hospital [†]	fishery	colliery	staid
asylum	refinery	energy	steadily ^{3a}

HOMONYMS

troop	A troop of soldiers.	peer	To peer over a fence.
troupe	An opera troupe.	pier	The boat at the pier.

115

convention	imposition	inflection	inspection
disposition	inclination	infliction	perspiration
distinction	notation	perfection	plantation
exhaustion	variation	inscription	prescription
fiction	infection	insertion	production

116

chemistry	scientific	solar	peculiar
physiology	photography ⁺	popular	apparel
biography ⁺	telegraphy	similar	sorrel
physics	hygiene ⁺	muscular	shrivel

117 (REVIEW)

amateur	cowardice	justice	pretense
asylum	criticise	narrative	pursuit
audience	dispensary	pamphlet	refinery
biography	dungeon	peculiar	scheme
chemistry	exhaustion	penitentiary	scientific
community	explicit	perspiration	secrecy
conceal	frontier	photography	secrete
concrete	hospital	physics	tableau
condemn	hygiene	physiology	telegraphy
counterfeit	impartial	prescription	tenement

HOMONYMS

loan	The loan of a book.	told	He told me so.
lone	A lone house.	toll'd	The bells toll'd.

118

gradual	cannibal	eternal	auctioneer [†]
special	critical	sheriff	optician
refusal ^{1a}	external	squire	surgeon
approval ^{1a}	internal	overseer	magician

119

abundant	tenant	acceptance	acquire ^{1a}
fragrant	endurance [†]	allowance	suggest
brilliant	temperance	performance	relieve
indignant	disturbance	repentance	relapse

120

compliment	movement	settlement
encouragement	engagement	installment
management	judgment	entertainment
nourishment	amazement	merriment ^{3a}
imprisonment	inducement [†]	measurement
encourage – encouragement ^{1a}		judge – judgment ^{1e}

121

ridiculous	famous	pious	tedious
fibrous	numerous	contagious	bilious
boisterous	tremendous	infectious	melodious
enormous	previous	industrious	

HOMONYMS

rote	To learn by rote.	hew	To hew a tree.
wrote	He wrote a letter.	hue	A yellow hue.

122

accurate	knowledge	profession	liable
regularity	degree	capable	favorable
satisfactory	diploma	charitable	inflammable
standard	certificate	considerable	palatable ^{1a}

123

insanity	epidemic	pneumonia	neuralgia †
lunacy	dyspepsia †	tonsilitis †	infirmity
plague	inflammatory	bronchitis †	soothe
famine	rheumatism	asthma	remedy

124 (REVIEW)

accurate	disturbance	nourishment	remedy
acquire	dyspepsia	optician	rheumatism
asthma	engagement	palatable	ridiculous
auctioneer	infectious	performance	satisfactory
brilliant	inflammable	plague	sheriff
bronchitis	judgment	pneumonia	special
capable	knowledge	profession	suggest
certificate	magician	regularity	surgeon
charitable	measurement	relapse	temperance
contagious	neuralgia	relieve	tonsilitis

HOMONYMS

beach	Sand on the beach.	cruel	A cruel boy.
beech	A beech tree.	crewel	A ball of crewel.

125

adjunct	neuter	preposition	intellect
phrase	syntax	participle	character
clause	possessive	instructive	conscience
method	objective	scholarship	distinguish
system	monosyllable	thoughtful	meritorious

126

numeral [†]	horizontal	confession	extension
numerical [†]	spherical	impression	provision [*]
decimal	octagonal	possession	collision [*]
integer	circumference	succession	occasion

127

confident	lenient	incident	interference
persistent	sufficient	reference	violence
evident	deficient	preference	consequence
insolent	magnificent	experience	presence
indulgent	impertinent	independence	influence [†]

refer – reference^{2b}prefer – preference^{2b}

128

outrageous	sculpture	exposure	agriculture
courageous	structure	temperature	pressure
ferocious	inclosure	gesture	leisure [†]
conscious	departure	pasture	signature

outrage – outrageous^{1c}courage – courageous^{1c}

* See footnote, page 51.

129

pronunciation [†]	obligation	temptation	legible
protection	revolution	partition	visible
recollection	satisfaction	proportion	responsible
repetition	suggestion	assertion	permissible
starvation	adoption		

130

usage	adjust	moreover	henceforth
accustom	fatigue	whereas	hitherto
civil	exhaust	wherefore	nevertheless
civilize	languid	withhold	consequently

fatigue – fatiguing^{1b}

131 (REVIEW)

assertion	fatigue	pressure
character	ferocious	pronunciation
circumference	independence	provision
civilize	intellect	recollection
collision	interference	reference
conscience	legible	repetition
conscious	leisure	responsible
consequence	meritorious	signature
courageous	monosyllable	spherical
deficient	occasion	succession
distinguish	outrageous	sufficient
exhaust	permissible	suggestion
experience	possession	visible

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(REVIEW OF DIFFICULT WORDS)

abscess	architect	circular
abyss	arrange	circumference
access	assistance	civilize
accident	associate	clothier
accomplish	assure	collision
accordion	asylum	cologne
accurate	atmosphere	commercial
accuse	auctioneer	committee
acquaintance	baggage	community
acquire	behavior	conceal
acute	biscuit	conceit
admission	breadth	conscience
admittance	brilliant	conscious
adventurous	bruise	contagious
alcohol	buoy	conveyance
alligator	cantaloupe	counterfeit
amateur	carriage	courageous
ambitious	cashier	cowardice
ammonia	catechism	criticise
ancient	certificate	curiosity
announcement	chandelier	cylinder
anxiety	changeable	deceive
anxious	character	decision
apology	charity	deficient
appearance	chemistry	delicious
appetite	chiffonier	diameter
appreciate	cinnamon	different

(REVIEW OF DIFFICULT WORDS — *Continued*)

difficult	flourish	interruption
digestible	foreign	intimacy
digestion	forfeit	irritate
disappoint	frontier	jealous
discipline	fuchsia	journey
disease	glazier	judgment
dispensary	glycerine	knowledge
distinguish	grief	legible
divisible	group	leisure
dungeon	guardian	length
dyspepsia	guest	library
embarrass	height	license
essence	horror	lieutenant
excellent	hospital	liniment
exclamation	hygiene	liquor
exercise	idolize	machinery
exhaustion	imagine	magazine
exhibition	imitation	magnetize
experience	immense	manufacture
explanation	impartial	mechanic
explicit	important	melodeon
expression	independence	merchandise
familiarity	infectious	messenger
fashionable	inflammable	microscope
fatigue	injurious	military
faucet	innocent	militia
feminine	intelligent	millinery
ferocious	interfere	mischievous

(REVIEW OF DIFFICULT WORDS — *Continued*)

moisture	persevere	rehearse
mortgage	petroleum	relieve
mosquito	photography	religious
mountainous	physician	repetition
mucilage	physics	reservoir
necessary	physiology	responsible
neuralgia	pleasure	rheumatism
nourishment	pneumonia	ridiculous
nuisance	porcelain	sacrifice
obstinacy	possession	scenery
occasion	possibility	scheme
officer	poultice	science
opposite	prairie	secrecy
optician	precious	secretary
orchestra	preparation	sensible
outrageous	pretense	separate
palatable	profession	sergeant
parallel	pronunciation	silesia
partiality	proprietor	sincere
particular	punctual	society
passenger	pursuit	soldier
patient	receipt	sovereign
pavilion	receive	special
peculiar	recognize	spectacle
penitentiary	recollect	spherical
perilous	reference	surgeon
permissible	refrigerator	succession
permission	regular	sufficient

(REVIEW OF DIFFICULT WORDS — *Continued*)

suffocate	therefore	vaccinate
suggestion	thermometer	valise
superintendent	thoroughly	victuals
surgeon	tonsilitis	village
synagogue	tortoise	violoncello
tableau	trachea	visible
temperance	treasury	yacht
terrible	upholsterer	zephyr

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(WORDS LIABLE TO BE MISPRONOUNCED) *

at'ti tūde	grat'i tūde	pā'tri ot
auc'tion	ho rī'zon	pā'tri ot ism
auc'tion eer'	hōs'pi tal	ped'es tal
bt og'ra phy	hōv'el	pēr spī ra'tion
bron chī'tis	hy'gī ene	pho tōg'ra phy
chīf fo niēr'	in dūce'ment	pro nūn ci a'tion
cow'ard īce	in'flū ence	quay (kē)
czar (zār)	lēi'sure	res'er voir (-vwôr)
dys pep'sī à	mar'quis (-kwīs)	sac'ri fice (-fīz)
em ploy ēē'	moun'tain ous	sūb ur'ban
en dūr'ance	nā'tion al	tāp'es try
Eu ro pē'an	neū ral'gī à	ton sil ī'tis
fī del'i ty	nū'mer al	vis'count (vī')
gel'a tīne	nū mer'ic al	whirl
glyc'er īne	par'ent age	

* The diacritical marks used are from Webster's International Dictionary.

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mercantile [†]	crinoline	tier	canopy
traffic	eider	crescent	buttress
chenille	frieze	trellis	exterior
chinchilla	bombazine	turret	interior
corduroy	raiment	balustrade	splendor

135

criminal	congenial	identical	pictorial
beneficial	terminal	methodical	interval
social	disposal	trivial	renewal [†]
confidential [†]	revival	centennial	universal
financial [†]	classical	intellectual	nautical

136

tyrant	plead	decease	scabbard
martyr	refuge	fusee [†]	bayonet
suicide	treaty	fusillade	tomahawk
warrant	lynch	massacre	cutlass
summon	pillory	sheath	epaulet
seizure	compulsory	sheathe	gauntlet

[†] This sign indicates words liable to be mispronounced. See pages 89, 90.

137

chaplain	religion	Jesuit	Methodist
curate	Christian	Protestant	Puritan
vicar [†]	Christianity	Episcopal	Quaker
friar	Catholic	Lutheran	monastery
clerical	Israelite	Presbyterian	mosque

138

absorption	corporation	constitution
administration	contraction	construction
annexation	corruption	expedition
application	combination	expiration [†]
attraction	conjunction	formation
benediction	declaration	fortification

expedite – expedition *

constitute – constitution *

139

Malaga	siphon	edition	illustrious
Catawba	tierce	friction	continuous ^{1b}
flagon	ocher	function	laborious
carafe	caraway	eruption	farinaceous
nectar	cayenne	duration	advantageous ^{1c}
distill	chicory	desertion	luscious

WORDS PRONOUNCED ALMOST ALIKE

pistol A loaded pistol.

dual A dual meaning.

pistil The pistil of a flower.

duel They fought a duel.

* See note (1), opposite page.

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advantageous	corduroy	intellectual
bayonet	corporation	Israelite
beneficial	crescent	laborious
carafe	crinoline	luscious
cayenne	declaration	martyr
centennial	epaulet	massacre
chaplain	eruption	mercantile
chenille	expedition	Presbyterian
chicory	expiration	religion
Christian	farinaceous	seizure
clerical	financial	siphon
confidential	frieze	suicide
continuous	illustrious	tierce

HOMONYMS

tear	A tear in the eye.	clause	A clause in a sentence.
tier	A tier of seats.	claws	The cat's claws.
gait	A rapid gait.	leaf	A leaf of a tree.
gate	The garden gate.	lief	I had as lief.
freeze	Freeze the cream.	links	The links of a chain.
frieze	A marble frieze.	lynx	A fierce lynx.

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(2) The marks, 1 *a*, 2 *a*, 3 *a*, etc., indicate the rules on pages 127, 128. which should be studied in connection with these words.

141

tributary	fertile	yield	survey
stagnant	fertility	windlass	scenic
cleanse ^{1a}	verdure	scythe	fossilize
purify	lichen	drought	authorize
immerse ^{1a}	cereal	explore	execute

survey – surveyed ^{3o}

execute – execution *

142

aquatic	element	floe	ballast
aqueduct	equinox	iceberg	gondolier
squall	equinoctial [†]	hawser	commodore
whirlpool	cruise	squadron	boatswain [†]
whirlwind	regatta	frigate	coxswain [†]

143

abbreviate	evaporate	congregate
acclimate [†]	speculate	necessitate
accumulate	stimulate	illuminate [†]
anticipate	irrigate	accommodate
aggravate	nominate	communicate
fascinate	exaggerate	demonstrate
generate	consulate	gravitate
germinate	evacuate	initiate

abbreviate – abbreviation *

illuminate – illumination *

* See note (1), on page 69.

144

avalanche	precipice	effervesce	expire
cataract	ravine	ferment	diminish
canyon	boulder	gaseous *	decrease
chasm	glacier	collide	descend
copse	promontory	collapse	descent
crevice	hemisphere	extinguish	recede

145

scientist	attorney †	courier	obstacle
oculist	notary	financier	gamble
artisan	referee	prophet	resemble
historian	consul	peasant	miracle
electrician	politician	yeoman	scruple
grammarian	commissioner	apprentice	soluble

146

lyceum †	emporium	restaurant †
seminary	conservatory	architecture
observatory	laboratory †	malicious
university	dormitory	suspicious
academy	distillery	vicious
sanitarium	edifice	virtuous ^{1b}
reformatory	hostelry †	contemptuous
aquarium	manufactory	conscientious

* Derivatives of the word "gas" are exceptions to rule 2 a.

147 (REVIEW)

abbreviate	descend	illuminate
academy	distillery	immerse
accommodate	drought	initiate
accumulate	edifice	irrigate
anticipate	effervesce	malicious
apprentice	electrician	necessitate
aqueduct	element	obstacle
architecture	equinoctial	politician
boatswain	evaporate	precipice
cataract	exaggerate	promontory
chasm	extinguish	recede
commissioner	fascinate	scientist
communicate	financier	scythe
conscientious	fossilize	survey
crevice	gaseous	suspicious
cruise	hemisphere	vicious

HOMONYMS

flow	The flow of water.	flee	To flee from danger.
floe	An ice floe.	flea	A flea-bite.
bridle	The horse's bridle.	plain	A plain dress.
bridal	A bridal party.	plane	To plane a board.
crews	The crews on boats.	time	To be in time.
cruise	A pleasant cruise.	thyme	Seasoned with thyme.
hail	A shower of hail.	but	Loud but sweet sounds.
hale	A hale old man.	butt	The butt end.

148

embassy	publicity	alien	compete
politics	policy	interpret	challenge
canvass	oratory	qualify	adjourn
legislature	oratorical	plurality	disperse
parliament	naturalize	opponent [†]	compromise

149

scroll	autograph	souvenir	counsel
petition	testimonial	bulletin	resign
response	acknowledge	schedule	release
comment	memorandum	calendar	prevail
correspond	lithograph	divert [†]	redeem
recommend	electrotype	entice	suspense

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haughtily	fiery	deign	subdue [†]
irritable	wrath	beseech	anguish
merciless	resolute	appease	aghast
eccentric	tyrannize	condescend	appall
dissatisfied	peculiarity	intensity	torture
superstitious	determined	emphasize	despair

mercy – merciless ^{3a}

subdue – subduing ^{1b}

HOMONYMS

bad	A bad boy.	bread	A loaf of bread.
bade	I bade him go.	bred	A well-bred person.

151

nutrition	rotation	solution	execution
opposition	secretion	conviction	prediction
mensuration	projection	deception	prevention
intoxication	proposition	detention	resolution
observation	recreation	superstition	valuation
obstruction	reputation	destination	subscription

intoxicate – intoxication * secrete – secretion *

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corps	artillery	conquest	ensign
siege	cavalry	conquer	hussar
garrison	maneuver	assault	brigadier
arsenal	campaign	acquit	dragoon
sentinel	skirmish	barbarian †	corporal
ammunition	rebellious	marshal	grenadier

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adhesion *	dimension †	secession	persuasion
convulsion	exclusion	conclusion	precision
commission	expansion	decision	suspension
compassion	invasion	omission	tension
compulsion	discussion	immersion	version
declension	procession	intrusion	diversion †

exclude – exclusion * decide – decision *

* See note (1), page 69.

154 (REVIEW)

acknowledge	dissatisfied	peculiarity
aghast	eccentric	petition
ammunition	emphasize	procession
artillery	execution	proposition
autograph	fiery	rebellious
barbarian	intoxication	recommend
bulletin	irritable	schedule
campaign	legislature	secession
commission	lithograph	siege
compromise	maneuver	souvenir
compulsion	massacre	superstitious
condescend	memorandum	suspense
correspond	naturalize	suspension
deign	omission	tension
dimension	opposition	testimonial
discussion	parliament	tyrannize

HOMONYMS

canvas	A canvas bag.	might	With all his might.
canvass	Canvass for votes.	mite	A mite of bread.
calendar	A yearly calendar.	core	The core of an apple
calender	The calender in a paper factory.	corps	A corps of soldiers.
hoard	To hoard money.	read	Read the book.
horde	A horde of savages.	reed	A broken reed.
nay	To say nay.	ruff	A high ruff.
neigh	Horses neigh.	rough	A rough edge.

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fraternal	horticultural	supplement
maternal	agricultural	colonial
paternal	economical	sediment
parental	tyrannical [†]	nutriment
mutual	inaugural [†]	federal
individual	presidential	accompaniment
industrial	international [†]	acknowledgment

accompany – accompaniment^{3a}

acknowledge – acknowledgment^{1•}

156

literary	comedian	charade	encore [†]
manuscript	pugilist	pantomime	enthusiasm
copyright	champion	panorama	sufficiency
playwright	tragedy	carnival	expectancy
celebrity	burlesque	matinée [†]	hesitancy
tragedian	parody	applause	frequency

157

finance [†]	bullion	economize	fawn
resource	guarantee	thrifty	chamois [†]
tariff	indorse	chattel	pheasant
revenue	certify	foreclose	mustang
specie	enterprise	foreclosure	hippodrome
coupon [†]	economy	expenditure	

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ambassador	orator	surveyor	debtor
conqueror	editor	ancestor	creditor
warrior	educator	dictator	traitor
legislator	navigator	spectator	superior
executor	operator	survivor	inferior
proprietor	supervisor	successor	factor

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camomile	chloroform	strychnine [†]	capsule
myrrh	creosote	potassium	troche [†]
paregoric	vitriol	sulphur	naphtha
opiate	antidote	phosphate	formula
morphine	quassia	tincture	dispense
ether	antimony	antiseptic	liquefy

160

corrupt	ferocity	offense	secede
enmity	hostile	suspicion	fortify
treason	malice	rebellion	barrier
treachery	villain	volunteer	trophy
dishonesty	conspiracy	revolutionary	triumph

HOMONYMS

sell To sell goods.
cell A prison cell.

climb To climb a tree.
clime A sunny clime.

161 (REVIEW)

accompaniment	enthusiasm	proprietor
acknowledgment	expectancy	secede
ambassador	ferocity	specie
antiseptic	foreclosure	strychnine
applause	guarantee	successor
burlesque	inaugural	sufficiency
camomile	liquefy	supplement
celebrity	mutual	suspicion
chamois	myrrh	tincture
charade	naphtha	tragedy
chloroform	panorama	traitor
conspiracy	pantomime	treachery
creosote	paregoric	tyrannical
économical	parody	villain
economize	playwright	volunteer
enterprise	presidential	warrior

HOMONYMS

sleigh	A sleigh ride.	mussel	Shell of a mussel.
slay	To slay in battle.	muscle	A strong muscle.
stake	A pointed stake.	pray	To pray in church.
steak	A broiled steak.	prey	A bird of prey.
knave	Cheated by a knave.	gilt	A gilt frame.
nave	The nave of a church.	guilt	To confess guilt.
surf	A bath in the surf.	base	A broad base.
serf	The serf was freed.	bass	A bass voice.

162

accountant	observant	utterance	cuticle
applicant	resistant	appliance	retina
extravagant	contrivance	importance	larynx
emigrant	inheritance	diaphragm	abdominal
immigrant	resemblance	appendix	physical
incessant	countenance	ligament	

observe – observant ^{1a}contrive – contrivance ^{1a}

163

cameo	onyx	quartz	morocco
agate	carat	calcium	pewter
amethyst	turquoise [†]	veneer	granite
sapphire	miniature	gutta-percha	quarry
filigree	medallion	majolica	isinglass
enamel	gypsum	mahogany	anthracite

164

ability	accuracy	develop	virtue
legibility	fluency	routine	career
encyclopedia	enlighten	languid	device
elementary	supervise	dilatory	devise
intermediate	supervision	wearisome	prodigy
preparatory	faculty	illiterate	integrity

weary – wearisome ^{3a}virtue – virtuous ^{1b}

165

probability	incident	transparent [†]
absurdity	effervescent	turbulent
similarity	equivalent	apparent [†]
originality	incandescent	evidence
benevolent	intermittent	abstinence
convalescent	permanent	benevolence
dependent	prominent	correspondence

166

hawthorn	sumac	calyx
mistletoe	verbena	cypress
horticulture	anemone [†]	sycamore
camellia	hyacinth	wistaria
gladiolus	oleander	chameleon
hydrangea	jasmine	chrysalis
chrysanthemum	mignonette	capillary

167

anniversary	courteous [†]	gayety
ceremony	courtesy [†]	frivolity
etiquette	flattery	delicacy
solemnity	dignified	fraternity
sociable	serene	apologize
hospitality	amiable	sympathize
hospitable [†]	luxury	sympathetic
responsibility	generosity	explanatory

168 (REVIEW)

abstinence	courteous	incandescent
accuracy	courtesy	incessant
amethyst	cuticle	isinglass
anniversary	develop	larynx
anthracite	diaphragm	legibility
apologize	effervescent	mahogany
apparent	emigrant	medallion
camellia	encyclopedia	mignonette
capillary	equivalent	originality
ceremony	etiquette	physical
chameleon	explanatory	preparatory
chrysalis	extravagant	probability
chrysanthemum	gayety	responsibility
convalescent	illiterate	sapphire
correspondence	immigrant	supervision
countenance	importance	sympathize

HOMONYMS

sear	To sear the skin.	minor	A minor matter.
seer	Foretold by a seer.	miner	A coal miner.
air	Fresh air.	metal	A valuable metal.
heir	An heir to a throne.	mettle	A man of mettle.
ere	We shall go ere long.	you	Will you go?
quarts	Two quarts of milk.	ewe	A ewe lamb.
quartz	A vein of quartz.	yew	A yew tree.
lesson	An easy lesson.	plum	A ripe plum.
lessen	The pain will lessen.	plumb	A plumb line.

169

albuminous	marvelous	dutiable	noticeable
bituminous	joyous ^{*c}	enviable	salable
monstrous	frivolous	imaginable	variable
carnivorous	humorous	innumerable	available
barbarous	anonymous	manageable	estimable
treacherous	unanimous	serviceable	receivable

service – serviceable ^{1c}

notice – noticeable ^{1c}

manage – manageable ^{1c}

sale – salable ^{1a}

170

oxygen	hydrogen	hydraulic	elasticity
nitrogen	chemical	mechanism	flexibility
barometer	utensil	oxidize	fragile
chronometer	apparatus [†]	petrify	original
stereopticon	receptacle	fossil	artificial
phonograph	artesian	crystallize [*]	genuine [†]

171

conical	diagonal	radius	penetrate
oblique	quadrant	pyramid	elaborate
obtuse	trapezium	symmetry	appropriate
cylindrical	hexagon	desolate	desperate
equilateral	isosceles	vegetate	calculate
perpendicular	geometrical	interrogate	

* Exception to rule 2 a.

172

fugitive	excessive	flexible
representative	exhaustive	forcible
comparative	persuasive	illegible
imaginative	successive	insensible
inquisitive	suggestive	invisible
progressive	negative	intelligible
decisive	corruptible	contemptible

173

allopathic	fracture	apoplexy
homeopathic [†]	sciatica	paralysis
sanitary	eczema [†]	paralyze
specialty	hemorrhage	influenza
surgical	erysipelas	jaundice
quarantine	hydrophobia	pleurisy
malady	epilepsy	

174

orthography	mythology	stenography [†]
etymology	zoölogy [†]	phonography
phonics	phrenology	analyze
anatomy	pneumatics	analysis
astronomy	mathematics	parenthesis
geology	algebra	apostrophe
geometry	literature	synopsis
mineralogy	electricity [†]	synonym

175 (REVIEW)

albuminous	electricity	noticeable
allopathic	epilepsy	oxidize
analysis	equilateral	paralysis
analyze	erysipelas	paralyze
anonymous	excessive	penetrate
apoplexy	flexibility	pleurisy
apparatus	flexible	pneumatics
appropriate	forcible	quarantine
artificial	fugitive	receptacle
barbarous	hemorrhage	salable
chemical	homeopathic	sciatica
chronometer	hydrophobia	stereopticon
comparative	illegible	successive
contemptible	innumerable	suggestive
corruptible	intelligible	symmetry
crystallize	isosceles	synonym
cylindrical	manageable	treacherous
decisive	marvelous	zoölogy

WORDS PRONOUNCED ALMOST ALIKE

palate	The palate bone.	profit	To sell at a profit.
palette	An artist's palette.	prophet	A weather prophet.
council	To hold a council.	barren	The soil is barren.
counsel	To give counsel.	baron	A German baron.
gamble	To gamble at cards.	carrot	A boiled carrot.
gambol	To gambol on the grass.	carat	It weighs a carat.

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(REVIEW OF DIFFICULT WORDS)

abbreviate	antiseptic	chameleon
abscess	anxiety	chamois <i>shamoy</i>
abstinence	apologize	chandelier <i>chandel</i>
abyss	apoplexy	character
academy	apparatus	chemical
accident	apparent	chemistry
accommodate	appearance	chenille <i>she mil</i>
accompaniment	appetite	chicory <i>chicory</i>
accordion	appreciate	chiffonier
accumulate	apprentice	chloroform
accuracy	appropriate	chronometer
acknowledgment	aqueduct	chrysalis
admission	artificial	chrysanthemum
advantageous	artillery	cinnamon
adventurous	associate	circumference
albuminous	asylum	civilize
alcohol	barbarous	cologne
allopathic	bayonet	commercial
amateur	behavior	commission
ambassador	beneficial	committee
ambitious	camellia	communicate
amethyst	camomile	comparative
ammunition	campaign	compulsion
analyze	cantaloupe	condescend
anniversary	capillary	confidential
anonymous	centennial	conscience
anthracite	ceremony	conscientious

(REVIEW OF DIFFICULT WORDS—*Continued*)

conscious	discipline	expression
contagious	discussion	extravagant
contemptible	dissatisfied	familiarity
convalescent	distillery	farinaceous
conveyance	distinguish	fascinate
correspondence	divisible	fashionable
corruptible	dyspepsia	fatigue
countenance	eccentric	ferocious
counterfeit	economize	financial
courageous	effervescent	financier
courteous	electrician	flexibility
crescent	electricity	forcible
criticise	embarrass	foreclosure
cruise	emigrant	forfeit
crystallize	emphasize	fossilize
curiosity	encyclopedia	gayety
cylindrical	enterprise	gaseous
decisive	equilateral	glycerine
deficient	equinoctial	guarantee
delicious	equivalent	guardian
descend	erysipelas	hemisphere
develop	evaporate	hemorrhage
diameter	exaggerate	hiccough
diaphragm	exhaustion	homeopathic
different	exhibition	hospital
digestible	expedition	hydrophobia
dimension	explanation	hygiene
disappoint	explicit	illegible

(REVIEW OF DIFFICULT WORDS — *Continued*)

illiterate	legible	mortgage
illuminate	legislature	mosquito
illustrious	leisure	mountainous
imagine	library	mucilage
imitation	license	murmur
immense	lieutenant	musician
immigrant	liniment	mutual
impartial	liquefy	myrrh
importance	luscious	naphtha
inaugural	machinery	naturalize
incandescent	magician	necessary
incessant	magnetize	necessitate
independence	mahogany	neuralgia
infectious	malicious	noticeable
inflammable	manageable	nourishment
initiate	maneuver	nuisance
innocent	martyr	obstacle
innumerable	marvelous	obstinacy
intellectual	massacre	occasion
intelligent	medallion	officer
intelligible	melodeon	omission
intoxication	memorandum	opposite
irrigate	merchandise	optician
irritable	mignonette	orchestra
isosceles	military	outrageous
judgment	militia	oxidize
laborious	millinery	palatable
larynx	mischievous	parallel

(REVIEW OF DIFFICULT WORDS—*Continued*)

paralysis	poultice	sacrifice
paralyze	precious	salable
parliament	precipice	sapphire
parody	preparation	schedule
partiality	presidential	scheme
particular	pretense	sciatica
patient	procession	science
pavilion	profession	secede
peculiar	promontory	secession
penitentiary	pronunciation	secrecy
perilous	proprietor	secretary
permissible	pursuit	seizure
permission	quarantine	sensible
persevere	rebellious	separate
perspiration	recede	sergeant
petition	receptacle	siege
petroleum	recognize	silesia
photography	recollect	sincere
physical	recommend	society
physician	reference	soldier
physiology	refrigerator	souvenir
pleurisy	regular	sovereign
pneumatics	religious	specie
pneumonia	repetition	spherical
politician	reservoir	stereopticon
porcelain	responsibility	strychnine
possession	rheumatism	succession
possibility	ridiculous	sufficient

(REVIEW OF DIFFICULT WORDS — *Continued*)

suffocate	sympathize —	upholsterer
suggestion	synonym	vaccinate —
suicide	tension	valise —
superintendent	therefore	vicious
superstitious	thermometer	victuals
supervision	thoroughly	villain —
supplement	tonsilitis	violoncello
surgeon	tortoise	visible
survey	trachea	volunteer
suspense	tragedy	warrior
suspension	traitor	yacht
suspicion	treacherous	zephyr
suspicious	treasury	zoölogy
symmetry.	tyrannize	

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(WORDS LIABLE TO BE MISPRONOUNCED) *

ac cli'māte	cou'pon	ē lec tric'i ty
a nēm'o ne	coûrt'ê oûs	en cōre' (än-)
ap pa rā'tus	coûrt'ê sÿ	ē qui noc'tial
ap pârent	cox'swāin	ex pī rā'tion
at tor'ney (-tûr')	dī men'sion	fī nance'
bar bā'ri an	dī ver'sion	fī nan'cial
bōat'swāin	dī vert'	fū see'
cham'ois (shām'mÿ)	ec'ze ma	gen'ū ĩne

* The diacritical marks used are from Webster's International Dictionary.

(WORDS LIABLE TO BE MISPRONOUNCED — *Continued*)

hō mē o path'ic	mat i née' (nā')	trans pâr'ent
hos'pi ta ble	mer'can tīle	tro'che (-kē)
hos'tēl ry	ōp pō'nent	tur quoise' (koiz')
il lū'mi nate	re new'al	tȳ ran'nic al
in au'gū ral	res'tau rānt	vīc'ar
in ter nă'tion al	stē nog'rā phy	zō ōl'c gy
lab'ō ra to ry	strych'nīne	
lȳ cē'um	sub dūē'	

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178

aggregate	approximate	delegate	isolate [†]
arbitrate	contaminate	adequate	lubricate
captivate	desecrate	devastate [†]	manipulate
concentrate	designate	fluctuate	meditate
dedicate	facilitate	inebriate	participate
agitate	deliberate	subordinate	perpetrate
aggregate – aggregation *		arbitrate – arbitration *	

179

obscure	manifest	impede	cleanse ^{1a}
subtle	ascertain	ignite	converge
vague	solicit	transpire	diverge [†]
suppress	perceive ^{1a}	precede	dilate
specify	conceive	allege [†]	rectify
lucid	achieve	assume	relinquish

180

abominable	indescribable	intolerable	portable
creditable	adaptable	lamentable	venerable
deplorable	indispensable	parable	pliable
formidable [†]	inevitable	laudable	pitiab ^{3a}
habitable	inseparable	memorable	malleable

* See note (1), page 69.

† This sign indicates words liable to be mispronounced. See pages 114,

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revise	traverse	interpose	prophecy [†]
adverse	excise	fantasy	prophecy [†]
appraise	immerse	heresy	heritage
incense	adipose	autopsy	equipage
inverse	improvise	controversy	hermitage

traverse – traversing^{1a}

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adversary [†]	obituary	obvious
emissary	statuary	serious
arbitrary	veterinary [†]	ravenous
honorary	vocabulary	grievous
mercenary	voluntary	vigorous
hereditary	auxiliary	amphibious
judiciary	infamous [†]	promiscuous [†]
incendiary	monotonous	synonymous

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feud	colonize ^{1a}	persecute ^{1a}	vanquish
warfare	oppress	furlough	sterling
mutiny	intercede	organize	steadfast
volunteer	intercept	besiege	tenacity
musketeer	intervene	battalion	sturdy
mutineer	neutrality	barricade	stalwart

The marks, 1 a, 2 a, 3 a, etc., indicate the rules on pages 127, 128, which should be studied in connection with these words.

184 (REVIEW)

achieve	delegate	malleable
aggregate	desecrate	monotonous
agitate	emissary	neutrality
allege	equipage	organize
amphibious	furlough	perceive
appraise	grievous	persecute
approximate	hereditary	precede
ascertain	heresy	prophecy
auxiliary	impede	prophecy
barricade	improvise	ravenous
battalion	incense	serious
besiege	indispensable	synonymous
colonize	inseparable	tenacity
conceive	intercede	veterinary
controversy	intervene	voluntary
dedicate	judiciary	volunteer

HOMONYMS

sight	The ship is in sight.	lean	To lean on a cane
site	The site of a house.	lien	A lien on a house.
cite	To cite an example.	feet	Three feet in a yard.
done	What have you done?	feat	A difficult feat.
dun	To dun for a debt.	sweet	Sugar is sweet.
mean	What do you mean?	suite	A suite of rooms.
mien	A noble mien.	rest	To take a rest.
throws	He throws a ball.	wrest	To wrest by force.
throes	The throes of death.		

185

assessor	competitor	conspirator	fissure
auditor	contributor	caricature	rapture
counselor	compositor	garniture	stature
solicitor	oppressor	censure	texture
chancellor	impostor	composure	aperture

186

accusation	persecution	assumption
complication	substitution	declamation
contortion	recognition	acquisition
combustion	equation [†]	destitution
commotion	competition	injunction
conception	civilization	confederation
congestion	consolidation	interpretation
prosecution	constellation	

prosecute – prosecution* substitute – substitution*
 complicate – complication*

187

homicide	indict	bailiff	consign
assassin	condemn	liability	consignee
insurgent	victim	deficit [†]	bequeath
parole	vagabond	assess	bequest
stiletto [†]	guillotine	assignee [†]	annuity

* See note (1), page 69.

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adherent	provident	recipient	reverence
competent	fraudulent	ingredient	divergence [†]
consequent	imminent	efficient	occurrence ^{2a}
eloquent	inherent [†]	proficient	conference
subsequent	prevalent	inference	coincidence
infer – inferring ^{2a}		infer – inference ^{2b}	
confer – conferring ^{2a}		confer – conference ^{2b}	

189

custodian	obsolete	electrify	volatile [†]
antiquarian	predecessor	pacify	infantile
laureate	metaphysics	rarefy	requisite
surrogate	orthodoxy	intensify	infinite
syndicate [†]	philanthropy [†]	reconcile	exquisite

190

achievement	audible	visible	aerial [†]
assessment	credible	plausible	colossal
consignment	eligible	reversible	neutral
impediment	indelible	upheaval	influential
temperament	predicament	optional	superficial
indictment	presentiment	essential	acquittal [*]

achieve – achieving^{1a} achieve – achievement^{1a}

* Acquittal is no exception to rule 2a, as u here has the sound of w.

191 (REVIEW)

accusation	counselor	interpretation
acquisition	declamation	metaphysics
aerial	deficit	obsolete
annuity	efficient	occurrence
aperture	eligible	philanthropy
assassin	essential	predecessor
assessor	exquisite	presentiment
assignee	fissure	prevalent
assumption	guillotine	rarefy
chancellor	homicide	recipient
civilization	imminent	reconcile
coincidence	impostor	requisite
competition	indelible	reversible
competitor	indictment	solicitor
conspirator	influential	superficial
constellation	intensify	visible

HOMONYMS

pole	A flag pole.	ought	We ought to do right
poll	To poll votes.	ought	For aught I know.
load	A load of hay.	session	School is in session.
lode	A rich lode.	cession	The cession of land.
tear	To tear paper.	pendant	A diamond pendant.
tare	Allowance for tare.	pendent	A pendent locket.
scull	To scull a boat.	breach	A breach of trust.
skull	A human skull.	breech	The breech of a gun.

192

myriad	unique	agile
contour	supreme	trapeze
minimum	circuit	bowling
maximum	pedestrian	billiards
herbarium	equestrian	wrestling
compendium	gymnastics	calisthenics
phenomenon	gymnasium	

193

accelerate *	ultimate	copious
alienate	vitiate	fictitious
enumerate	obviate	victorious ^{3 a}
culminate	prolongate	oblivious
coagulate	reciprocate	obnoxious
exhilarate	scintillate	precocious
incorporate	fastidious	pretentious
procrastinate	commodious	presumptuous †

194

melancholy †	symptom	hygienic †	chloral
insomnia	bronchial	charlatan	stimulant
delirium	cerebral †	pharmacist	astringent
hypnotic	medicinal	antiseptic	cauterize
mesmerize	hydropathy †	anodyne	belladonna

* See note (1), page 69.

195

obscurity	simplicity	mobility	civility
identity	popularity	maturity	cordiality
capability	tranquillity*	impunity	vicinity
superiority	perplexity	commodity	velocity
veracity	dexterity	opportunity	propriety
uniformity	enormity	extremity	hilarity

196

lyric	jubilee [†]	ocular	effigy
rhythm	prologue [†]	wizard	graphic
symphony	libretto	phantom	disguise
serenade	acoustic	linguist	grotesque
masquerade	harmonize	ventriloquist	spectacular

197

pliant	tolerant	sustenance
pendant	luxuriant	maintenance [†]
flagrant	defiance ^{3a}	penance
descendant	allegiance	alliance
triumphant	reliance ^{3a}	substance
insignificant	pittance	grievance
arrogant	assurance ^{1a}	guidance ^{1a}
petulant	vengeance	perseverance

* Exception to rule 2 a.

198 (REVIEW)

accelerate	disguise	phenomenon
acoustic	exhilarate	precocious
allegiance	fictitious	presumptuous
alliance	gymnastics	pretentious
anodyne	harmonize	reciprocate
assurance	hydropathy	rhythm
billiards	hygienic	scintillate
calisthenics	hypnotic	serenade
capability	luxuriant	simplicity
cauterize	maintenance	sustenance
charlatan	masquerade	symphony
circuit	medicinal	symptom
civility	melancholy	tranquillity
commodious	obnoxious	vengeance
delirium	opportunity	ventriloquist
descendant	perseverance	vitiate

HOMONYMS

cannon	The roar of a cannon.	ascent	A swift ascent.
canon	The canon of a church.	assent	To assent to a plan.
draught	To be in a draught.	shear	To shear sheep.
draft	To pay a draft.	sheer	A sheer muslin.
right	The right way.	veil	A lace veil.
write	To write a letter.	vale	A quiet vale.
wright	A wheelwright.	slight	A slight error.
rite	A religious rite.	sleight	By sleight of hand.

199

issue	fulfill	overwhelm	sinecure [†]
arraign	elapse	coincide	codicil
chagrin	concise	reprimand	memoir
succumb	construe	procedure	specific
convene	maintain [†]	aptitude	recompense
accompany	endeavor	privilege	characteristic

issue – issuing ^{1b}construe – construing ^{1b}

200

intuition	resurrection	indemnity
collation	retention	longevity
discretion	retribution	parity
exemption	revelation	piety
apparition	supposition	reciprocity [†]
acclamation	audacity	sensibility
litigation	complicity	proximity
preservation	duplicity	municipality

201

practitioner	prejudice	pallor	aerate
philosopher	populace	prior	exhale
astrologer	caprice	stupor	complexion
parishioner	excelsior	mulatto	respiratory
accomplice	languor	variegated [†]	asphyxiate

202

delusion	profusion	incision	expulsion
allusion	conversion	oppression	illusion
ascension	contusion	persuasion	suppression
comprehension	concussion	abrasion	accession
condescension	depression	aversion	concession

delude – delusion *

persuade – persuasion *

203

justifiable	conservative	oracle
negotiable	repulsive	righteous
reputable [†]	psychology	osseous
antagonize	meteorology	aqueous [†]
characterize	philology	herbaceous
neutralize	allegory	simultaneous [†]
aggressive	repertory	instantaneous
conducive	pinnacle	miscellaneous

204

caste	chivalry	perjury	socialism
nobility	gallantry	infamy	destiny
monarchy	gentility	intrigue	penniless
aristocrat	dauphin	notoriety	destitute
imperial	cavalier	felony	adversity
romantic	chevalier [†]	anarchy	vagrancy

* See note (1), page 69.

205 (REVIEW)

accession	concession	osseous
acclamation	concussion	parishioner
accompany	condescension	prejudice
accomplice	construe	privilege
adversity	endeavor	procedure
aerate	excelsior	psychology
aggressive	exemption	reciprocity
allegory	expulsion	recompense
antagonize	fulfill	respiratory
apparition	herbaceous	resurrection
aqueous	instantaneous	revelation
arraign	justifiable	righteous
ascension	maintain	sensibility
asphyxiate	miscellaneous	simultaneous
characteristic	negotiable	succumb
chevalier	neutralize	supposition
codicil	notoriety	suppression
coincide	oppression	variegated

WORDS PRONOUNCED ALMOST ALIKE

symbols	Symbols of courage.	serial	A serial story.
cymbals	To play the cymbals.	cereal	Wheat is a cereal.
idyl	He wrote an idyl.	levy	To levy a tax.
idol	To worship an idol.	levee	To build a levee.
compliment	To pay a compliment.		
complement	A complement of men.		

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oriental	official	credential	gladiator
continental	provincial	substantial	athlete
periodical	judicial	adjutant	domineer
perennial	memorial	defendant	absolute
municipal †	symmetrical	mendicant	

207

mammoth	sepulcher	mystic	annals
gigantic †	antediluvian †	casino	patriarch
statuesque	antiquity	spectral	Vatican
statuette	antiquated	crypt	Coliseum
mausoleum	emblematic	sphinx	symbolic

208

ludicrous	antecedent	recurrence ^{2a}
luminous	belligerent	subsistence
miraculous	omnipotent	temporary
omnivorous	reticent †	preliminary
preposterous	succulent	pulmonary
resinous	transient	sanguinary
scrupulous	phosphorescent	supplementary
venomous	reminiscence	parliamentary

HOMONYMS

moat	A wide moat.	rye	A field of rye.
mote	A mote in the eye.	wry	A wry face.

209

satellite *	ossify	membrane	vehicle
meteor	corrode	cranium	chaise
lodestone	paraffine	pique,	chariot
graphite	epidermis	antipathy	brougham
stalactite	corpuscle	postilion	barouche

210

cynical	radical	habitual	radiant
logical	typical	perpetual	significant
nominal	ethical	effectual	coercion
martial	prodigal	contestant	evasion *
incidental	remedial	reluctant	diversion
ceremonial	rhythmical	vigilant	revision

211

aristocracy	consistency	monotony
democracy	clemency	matrimony †
diplomacy	deficiency	accessory
confederacy	efficiency	contradictory
supremacy	proficiency	peremptory
brilliancy	piracy	promissory
buoyancy †	bankruptcy	interrogatory
constancy	monotone	declamatory

* See note (1), page 69.

212 (REVIEW)

accessory	effectual	reminiscence
antecedent	efficiency	rhythmical
antediluvian	gigantic	sanguinary
barouche	judicial	satellite
belligerent	mausoleum	sepulcher
brilliancy	miraculous	significant
buoyancy	municipal	stalactite
ceremonial	official	substantial
coercion	ossify	succulent
Coliseum	paraffine	supplementary
confederacy	periodical	symbolic
consistency	phosphorescent	symmetrical
corpuscle	postilion	transient
cynical	preliminary	typical
defendant	promissory	vehicle
deficiency	recurrence	venomous

HOMONYMS

marshal	Marshal of the field.	feign	To feign sickness.
martial	A martial nation.	fane	To worship at a fane.
radical	A radical change.	fain	He would fain do it.
radicle	The radicle of a plant.	peak	A high peak.
maze	Lost in a maze.	pique	To act from pique.
maize	A field of maize.	ark	Noah's ark.
ode	An ode to the moon.	arc	The arc of a circle.
owed	He owed ten dollars.		

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scholastic	theorize	sterilize
rhetoric	philosophize	utilize
technical	systematize	defaulter
technicality	patronize	usurer
theory	monopoly	plaintiff
theoretical	monopolize	client
generality	demoralize	prosecute
generalize	dramatize	testimony [†]

214

satiate	negotiate	submissive
alleviate	officiate	corrosive
assimilate	precipitate	offensive
collegiate	abdicate	oppressive
confederate	advocate	competitive
intricate	incentive	preventative
humiliate	appreciative	perspective
predominate	demonstrative	consecutive

215

theological	apostle	fanaticism	divine
theology	deity	heretic [†]	divinity
doctrine	parochial	hypocrite	surplice
sectarian	celestial	humility	orthodox
disciple	idolatry	millennium	tabernacle

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abstemious [†]	luxurious	veracious [†]	impervious
harmonious	ingenious [†]	unconscious	judicious
hilarious	capacious [†]	gratuitous	callous
notorious	officious	disastrous	dexterous
delirious	tenacious [†]	conspicuous	impetuous
mysterious	capricious	superfluous [†]	populous

217

protectorate	coerce	remittance ^{2a}	catastrophe
pioneer	accede	subpœna	stampede
refugee	concede	affidavit	edible
strategy	respite [†]	projectile	susceptible
artifice	retrieve	pyrotechnics	tangible
armistice	ordinance	derelict [†]	crucible

218

dilution ^{*†}	insurrection	intangible
perception	jurisdiction	perceptible
refraction	strangulation	infallible
provocation	realization	combustible
proclamation	federation	indestructible
organization	precaution	inexhaustible
determination	accessible	irresponsible
inspiration	incorrigible	comprehensible

* See note (1), page 69.

219 (REVIEW)

abstemious	derelict	negotiate
accede	disciple	offensive
accessible	generalize	officiate
affidavit	gratuitous	organization
alleviate	hypocrite	patronize
appreciative	impervious	perceptible
armistice	incorrigible	precipitate
artifice	indestructible	pyrotechnics
assimilate	inexhaustible	realization
capacious	infallible	satiate
capricious	ingenious	scholastic
catastrophe	insurrection	sterilize
collegiate	intangible	subpœna
competitive	irresponsible	susceptible
comprehensible	judicious	systematize
concede	millennium	tangible
conspicuous	monopolize	technical
delirious	mysterious	unconscious

HOMONYMS

seed	The seed of a plant.	faint	Faint with hunger.
cede	To cede territory.	feint	To make a feint.
wave	To wave a flag.	auger	A carpenter's auger.
waive	To waive one's rights.	augur	To augur success.
cast	To cast away.	brute	A savage brute.
caste	A high caste.	bruit	To bruit about.

fort A well-manned fort.

forte Singing is her forte.

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(REVIEW OF DIFFICULT WORDS)

abbreviate	alliance	arraign
abscess	ambassador	artificial
abstemious	ambitious	artillery
abstinence	amethyst	ascension
academy	ammunition	ascertain
accelerate	amphibious	asphyxiate
accessible	analyze	assassin
accession	anniversary	assessor
acclamation	annuity	assignee
accommodate	anodyne	assimilate
accompany	anonymous	associate
accomplice	antagonize	assumption
accumulate	antecedent	asylum
accuracy	antediluvian	auxiliary
acoustic	aperture	barouche
acquisition	apologize	barricade
admission	apoplexy	battalion
advantageous	apparatus	bayonet
aerial	apparent	behavior
aggregate	apparition	belligerent
aggressive	appetite	beneficial
agitate	appraise	besiege
albuminous	appreciative	billiards
allege	appropriate	brilliancy
allegiance	approximate	buoyancy
allegory	aqueous	calisthenics
alleviate	armistice	camellia

(REVIEW OF DIFFICULT WORDS — *Continued*)

campaign	commercial	courteous
cantaloupe	commission	crescent
capacious	committee	criticise
capillary	commodious	crystallize
capricious	communicate	cylindrical
catastrophe	comparative	cynical
centennial	competition	decisive
ceremony	competitive	deficiency
chameleon	comprehensible	deficit
chancellor	concession	delicious
chandelier	concussion	delirious
characteristic	condescension	derelict
charlatan	confidential	descendant
chasm	conscience	desecrate
chemistry	conscientious	develop
chenille	conscious	diaphragm
chevalier	constellation	digestible
chiffonier	contagious	disappoint
chloroform	contemptible	disciple
chronometer	controversy	discipline
chrysalis	convalescent	divisible
chrysanthemum	conveyance	dyspepsia
circuit	correspondence	eccentric
civilization	corruptible	economize
codicil	counselor	effervescent
coercion	countenance	efficiency
coincidence	counterfeit	eligible
Coliseum	courageous	emissary

(REVIEW OF DIFFICULT WORDS — *Continued*)

endeavor	fictitious	immigrant
electrician	financial	imminent
electricity	financier	impartial
embarrass	forcible	impervious
emigrant	foreclosure	inaugural
emphasize	fossilize	incandescent
equilateral	fulfill	incessant
equinoctial	glycerine	incorrigible
equivalent	gratuitous	indelible
erysipelas	guarantee	independence
essential	guardian	indestructible
evaporate	guillotine	indictment
exaggerate	hemorrhage	indispensable
excelsior	herbaceous	inexhaustible
exhaustion	hereditary	infallible
exhibition	heresy	infectious
exhilarate	homicide	inflammable
expedition	hospital	influential
explicit	hydropathy	ingenious
expression	hydrophobia	initiate
exquisite	hygienic	innumerable
extravagant	hypnotic	inseparable
familiarity	hypocrite	instantaneous
farinaceous	illegible	insurrection
fascinate	illiterate	intangible
fashionable	illuminate	intelligent
fatigue	illustrious	intelligible
ferocious	imitation	intercede

(REVIEW OF DIFFICULT WORDS — *Continued*)

interpretation	medicinal	opportunity
intoxication	melancholy	opposite
irresponsible	melodeon	optician
irrigate	metaphysics	osseous
irritable	mignonette	outrageous
isosceles	military	oxidize
judicial	militia	palatable
judiciary	millennium	paraffine
judicious	millinery	parallel
legible	miscellaneous	paralysis
library	mischievous	paralyze
lieutenant	monotonous	parishioner
liquefy	mortgage	parliament
luscious	mosquito	partiality
luxuriant	mountainous	patient
machinery	mucilage	pavilion
magician	murmur	peculiar
magnetize	musician	penitentiary
maintain	mysterious	perceptible
maintenance	naphtha	perilous
malicious	necessitate	permissible
malleable	negotiate	perseverance
maneuver	neuralgia	perspiration
marvelous	neutralize	petition
masquerade	nuisance	phenomenon
massacre	obnoxious	philanthropy
mausoleum	obsolete	phosphorescent
medallion	officiate	physician

(REVIEW OF DIFFICULT WORDS — *Continued*)

physiology	proprietor	sacrifice
pleurisy	psychology	salable
pneumatics	pursuit	sanguinary
pneumonia	pyrotechnics	sapphire
politician	quarantine	satellite
porcelain	rarefy	satiate
possession	ravenous	schedule
possibility	rebellious	scheme
postilion	recede	sciatica
precede	receptacle	scintillate
precious	reciprocity	secede
precipice	recollect	secession
precipitate	recommend	secrecy
precocious	recompense	secretary
predecessor	reconcile	seizure
prejudice	recurrence	sensible
preliminary	reference	separate
preparation	religious	sepulcher
presumptuous	reminiscence	sergeant
pretentious	repetition	serious
privilege	reservoir	silesia
procedure	responsibility	simultaneous
procession	resurrection	society
profession	reversible	solicitor
promontory	rheumatism	souvenir
pronunciation	rhythmical	sovereign
prophecy	ridiculous	spherical
prophecy	righteous	stalactite

(REVIEW OF DIFFICULT WORDS — *Continued*)

stereopticon	symmetrical	vaccinate
sterilize	sympathize	valise
strychnine	symphony	variegated
subpœna	symptom	vehicle
succession	synonym	vengeance
succulent	synonymous	venomous
succumb	systematize	ventriloquist
sufficient	tableau	veterinary
suggestion	tangible	vicious
suicide	technical	victuals
superficial	tenacity	villain
superintendent	therefore	violoncello
superstitious	thermometer	visible
supervision	thoroughly	vitiate
supplementary	tortoise	voluntary
surgeon	tranquillity	volunteer
susceptible	transient	warrior
suspicious	treacherous	zephyr
sustenance	treasury	zoölogy
symbolic	tyrannize	

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(WORDS LIABLE TO BE MISPRONOUNCED)*

ab stē' mi ous	al lège'	as sĭgn ee'
ad' vēr sa ry	an te dĭ lū' vi an	buoy' an cy (bwoi'-)
ă ē' ri al	ă' que ous	ca pā' cious

* The diacritical marks used are from Webster's International Dictionary.

(WORDS LIABLE TO BE MISPRONOUNCED — *Continued*)

cer'ě bral	in gēn'ious	rěc i proc' i ty
chev a liēr'(shěv-)	in hēr'ent	rep' ŭ ta ble
def' ĭ cit	is' o late	res' pite
děr' e licť	jū' bĭ lee	rět' ĭ cent
dev' as tate	māin' tain'	sī mul tā' ne ous
dĭ lū' tion	māin' tē nance	sĭ' ne cūre
dĭ verge'	mat' ri mō ny	stĭ let' to
dĭ ver' gence	mel' an chōl y	su per' flū oŭs
e qua' tion(-shŭn)	mu nic' i pal	syn' di cāte
for' mĭ da ble	phi lan' thro py	te nā' cious
ġĭ gan' tic	pre sump' tū oŭs	tes' ti mō ny
hěr' ě tic	prō' lōgue	vā' rĭ e ga ted
hy drop' a thy	pro mis' cū oŭs	ve rā' cious
hy ġĭ ěn' ic	proph' e cŷ	vět' er i na ry
in' fā mous	proph' e sŷ	vol' a tĭle

SUPPLEMENTARY LIST

(FOR USE BEYOND THE EIGHTH YEAR)

abeyance	apprehension	chronicle
abstruse	aquiline	circuitous
acetic	archive	clamorous
acidulate	arduous	clique
acquiesce	arraignment	coalesce
affable	ascetic	cognizant
affiliate	aspirant	cohesion
affinity	atrocious	collateral
affluence	atrocity	colleague
aggrandize	audacious	collodion
alacrity	auditory	colloquial
alignment	aureole	collusion
altercation	auspicious	commensurate
amalgamation	austere	commentary
amanuensis	avaricious	commissary
ambiguous	badinage	comparable
ameliorate	barrister	compassionate
analogous	beguile	compatible
analogy	beneficence	competency
animosity	beneficiary	complacent
annihilate	benign	composite
anomaly	blasphemous	compunction
antithesis	category	conceivable
appendage	celerity	concentric
applicable	chaos	conciliate
apportion	chirography	concomitant

(FOR USE BEYOND THE EIGHTH YEAR — *Continued*)

concordance	crucial	diminutive
concurrent	culinary	disburse
conduit	curriculum	discernible
confluence	cursory	disciplinary
conformable	dearth	disconcert
conformity	débris	disconsolate
congeal	decorous	discordant
conjecture	decrepitude	discourse
consciousness	defalcation	discrepancy
consecrate	defamation	discriminate
consequential	deferential	disparage
constituency	degenerate	disparity
consummate	degradation	dispensation
contemporaneous	deleterious	disseminate
contemporary	delineate	dissension
contiguous	delinquent	dissertation
contingency	deliverance	dissuade
convertible	demagogue	diurnal
Corinthian	demeanor	diverse
cornucopia	deprecate	diversify
corollary	depreciate	domicile
correlation	derision	dominant
corroborate	derogatory	dubious
corrugate	despicable	dynasty
coterie	deteriorate	ebullition
covetous	detriment	eccentricity
credulous	diabolical	ecclesiastic
criterion	digression	economics

(FOR USE BEYOND THE EIGHTH YEAR — *Continued*)

ecstasy	equanimity	febrile
efficacious	equilibrium	felicity
efficacy	equitable	felonious
efflorescent	equivocal	filament
effrontery	erroneous	fortitude
effusion	ethereal	fundamental
elegy	eulogize	futility
eliminate	exchequer	gratuity
elixir	exemplary	habituate
ellipsis	exemplify	hallucination
elucidate	exigency	herculean
emaciate	exonerate	hierarchy
emanate	exorbitant	hieroglyphic
embellish	exorcise	homogeneous
embezzle	expedient	hyperbole
emblazon	expedite	hypochondriac
embrasure	extemporaneous	hypothesis
emolument	exterminate	hysterical
emulation	extraneous	iconoclast
emulsion	extricate	idealize
encumbrance	exuberant	idyllic
enervate	exultant	ignominious
enveigle	fabricate	immunity
environment	fabulous	impenetrable
ephemeral	facetious	impetus
epicure	fallacious	impromptu
episode	fallacy	impugn
epistle	feasible	incapacitate

(FOR USE BEYOND THE EIGHTH YEAR — *Continued*)

incarcerate	irreparable	matriculate
incipient	irrepressible	mediator
incongruous	irresistible	medicate
incredulous	irrespective	mediocrity
incriminate	irritant	metamorphose
indebtedness	jeopardize	metaphor
indefatigable	labyrinth	misanthrope
indigenous	lacerate	mitigate
indigent	lachrymose	mnemonics
individuality	languish	mollify
ingenuous	lassitude	monograph
ingratiating	laudatory	monologue
iniquity	legendary	munificence
initiative	legitimate	mysticism
innocuous	lethargy	naïve
inquisition	limitation	necropolis
insatiable	lineage	neurotic
insatiate	liquidate	nihilism
instigate	logarithm	nocturnal
intimidate	loquacious	nonentity
intricacy	lucrative	nonpareil
invalidate	luminary	noxious
invincible	magnanimity	nurture
inviolate	magnanimous	obligatory
irascible	manifestation	obliterate
iridescent	marauder	oleaginous
ironical	marquetry	olfactory
irrelevant	materialize	oligarchy

(FOR USE BEYOND THE EIGHTH YEAR — *Continued*)

ominous	phlegmatic	proscenium
omniscient	phraseology	prototype
onerous	physiognomy	providential
optimist	physique	psychical
oracular	piquant	puerile
ornithology	plagiarism	purloin
oscillate	platitude	pursuant
ostensible	plebeian	purveyor
ostentatious	plenipotentiary	putrefaction
ostracize	poniard	pygmy
pageant	posthumous	querulous
palliate	potential	quiescent
pandemonium	precarious	raillery
parsimonious	precedent	ramification
patrician	precipitation	rapacious
patrimony	precursor	realm
paucity	predestination	reciprocal
pecuniary	predominant	recreant
pedagogue	premises	rectitude
pedagogy	premonitory	recumbent
penurious	prerogative	redundant
permeate	prestidigitator	refractory
pernicious	prestige	relegate
perquisite	primitive	relevant
pertinacity	priority	remonstrance
pertinent	prodigious	remunerate
perusal	prohibitory	renegade
perverse	proprietary	renunciation

(FOR USE BEYOND THE EIGHTH YEAR — *Continued*)

reparable	salubrious	stereotype
reparation	sanctimonious	stethoscope
repellent	sanguine	strenuous
repletion	saponaceous	stupefaction
repository	sarcophagus	stylographic
reprehensible	satirical	subordination
repression	scrutinize	subservient
repudiate	sedentary	subsidiary
requisition	sedition	substantiate
rescind	silhouette	subterfuge
residuary	sinuous	succor
residue	sobriety	supercilious
resonant	sociology	supersede
resplendent	solecism	surfeit
restorative	solicitous	surmise
resumption	soliloquize	surreptitious
resuscitate	somnambulist	surveillance
retrogression	sonorous	syllogism
reversion	sophistry	symposium
revulsion	sophomore	syncope
rhapsody	specialize	synthesis
rhetorical	specification	taciturn
saccharine	spiritual	tautology
sacrament	spirituous	tempestuous
sacrilege	spontaneity	tenable
sacrilegious	spontaneous	terrestrial
salicylic	spurious	tessellate
salient	statistician	topography

(FOR USE BEYOND THE EIGHTH YEAR — *Continued*)

tournament	utilitarian	virtual
tractable	vacillate	virulent
transition	valiant	visionary
transitory	vehement	vivacious
treatise	vernacular	vociferous
troubadour	versatile	volition
tympanum	vicarious	voluminous
typographical	vicissitude	
unanimity	vignette	

GEOGRAPHICAL NAMES

The following list includes at least the vast majority of geographical names, of general importance in America, requiring special drill in spelling.

It is suggested that individual teachers select from this list the words needed for their respective grades; add thereto those of local interest; concentrate the drill upon these words, and teach incidentally other terms as they are called for in written work. Such a procedure will guard against the waste involved in indiscriminate drill upon the spelling of geographical names.

Aberdeen	Babylon	Brooklyn
Abyssinia	Bahia	Brussels
Adirondack	Balkan	Buenos Aires
Algiers	Baltimore	Cairo
Alleghany	Baluchistan	Calais
Allegheny	Bangkok	California
Amazon	Barbados	Cambridge
America	Barcelona	Cape Verde
Annapolis	Bering	Caribbean
Antarctic	Belgium	Carpathian
Antwerp	Berkshire	Carthage
Appalachian	Birmingham	Catskill
Ararat	Boise	Champlain
Argentina	Bolivia	Channel
Arizona	Bordeaux	Charlotte
Arkansas	Borneo	Chattanooga
Asia	Bosphorus	Chesapeake
Auckland	Brighton	Cheyenne
Azores	Brindisi	Chicago

Chile	Greenwich	Lorraine
Cincinnati	Guatemala	Los Angeles
Cleveland	Guiana	Louisiana
Clyde	Guinea	Lucerne
Cologne	Haiti	Lynchburg
Colombia	Hamburg	Macedonia
Colorado	Havana	Mackinac
Columbia	Havre	Madagascar
Columbus	Hawaii	Madeira
Connecticut	Hawaiian Islands	Maine
Constantinople	Honduras	Mainz
Dakota	Honolulu	Malay
Dayton	Houston	Manhattan
Delaware	Huron	Manitoba
Des Moines	Illinois	Marseilles
Detroit	Indianapolis	Maryland
Dnieper	Iowa	Massachusetts
Ecuador	Ireland	Melbourne
Edinburgh	Itasca	Merrimac
Egypt	Jamaica	Michigan
England	Kamchatka	Milwaukee
Erie	Kentucky	Minneapolis
Ethiopia	Kissingen	Minnesota
Euphrates	Labrador	Mississippi
Galicia	Lackawanna	Missouri
Gibraltar	Leavenworth	Mobile
Glasgow	Lehigh	Monongahela
Gloucester	Leipzig	Montana
Greece	Lincoln	Mont Blanc

Montpelier	Portugal	Scandinavia
Montreal	Potomac	Schenectady
Munich	Poughkeepsie	Scilly Islands
Natchez	Prague	Seattle
Newfoundland	Providence	Sevastopol
New Hampshire	Prussia	Seine
New Jersey	Quebec	Senegambia
New Orleans	Quito	Shenandoah
New Zealand	Raleigh	Sicily
Niagara	Rhine	Sierra Nevada
Nicaragua	Rhode Island	Silesia
Nova Scotia	Rhone	Sinai
Nuremberg	Rio de Janeiro	Singapore
Oceania	Rio de la Plata	Sioux City
Oklahoma	Rochester	Smyrna
Omaha	Roumania	Southampton
Oregon	Russia	Stockholm
Orinoco	Sacramento	Suez
Ottawa	Saginaw	Susquehanna
Pacific	St. Lawrence	Syracuse
Patagonia	St. Louis	Tallahassee
Persia	St. Petersburg	Tennessee
Philadelphia	Salvador	Thames
Philippine	San Francisco	Thuringia
Pittsburg	Santa Cruz	Ticonderoga
Platte	Santa Fé	Transvaal
Plymouth	Santiago	Trieste
Pompeii	Savannah	Trinidad
Portsmouth	Saxony	Turkestan

Tyrol	Vladivostok	Yangtze
Uruguay	Washington	Yokohama
Utah	Waterloo	Yosemite
Valparaiso	Westphalia	Yukon
Vancouver	Winnipeg	Zambezi
Venezuela	Wisconsin	Zanzibar
Venice	Worcester	Zurich
Versailles	Wurttemberg	
Vienna	Wyoming	

RULES

1. Rules relating to the dropping or retaining of final *e*.

(*a*) Words ending in *e* preceded by a consonant usually drop *e* on taking a suffix beginning with a vowel. (See rule *c*.) **EXAMPLE:** *move, moving*.

(*b*) Words ending in *ue* drop *e* on taking any suffix. **EXAMPLES:** *argue, arguing; true, truly*.

(*c*) Words ending in *ce* or *ge* retain *e* on adding *able, ably, or ous*. **EXAMPLES:** *change, changeable; courage, courageous; notice, noticeable*.

(*d*) Most words ending in *e* retain *e* on taking a suffix beginning with a consonant. (See rules *b* and *e*.) **EXAMPLE:** *move, movement*.

(*e*) Words ending in *dge* drop *e* on taking any suffix. **EXAMPLES:** *judge, judging; judge, judgment*.

The noteworthy exceptions to the above rules are : *singeing, tingeing, vagueness, vaguely, awful, wholly*.

2. Rules relating to the doubling of the final consonant.

(*a*) Monosyllables and words accented on the last syllable, ending in a single consonant preceded by a single vowel, usually double the final consonant on taking a suffix beginning with a vowel. (See rule *b*, on the next page.) (Other words do not double the final consonant.) **EXAMPLES:** *run, running; forgot, forgotten*.

(b) Words in which the accent is thrown back upon another syllable, after the derivative is formed, do not double the final consonant. EXAMPLES: prefer, preference; refer, reference.

Final *x* is never doubled, being itself equivalent to the two consonants *ks*.

The noteworthy exceptions to the above rules are: gases, gaseous, transferable, crystallize, cancellation, tranquillity, woolly.

3. Rules relating to the retaining or changing of final *y*.

(a) Words ending in *y* preceded by a consonant retain *y* on taking a suffix beginning with *i*; but on taking a suffix beginning with any other letter, *y* is in most cases changed to *i*. (See rule *b*.) In forming the plural of nouns and the third person singular of verbs, *y* is changed to *i* and *es* is added. EXAMPLES: cry, crying; lazy, laziness; duty, dutiable; country, countries; try, tries.

(b) Adjectives of one syllable ending in *y* preceded by a consonant retain the *y* on taking any suffix. EXAMPLES: shy, shyness; sly, slyest.

(c) Words ending in *y* preceded by a vowel retain *y* on taking any suffix. EXAMPLES: obey, obeyed; joy, joyful; valley, valleys; play, plays.

The exceptions to rule *a* are words not in common use, as: duteous, piteous, beauteous, etc.

The exceptions to rule *b* are: drier, driest.

The exceptions to rule *c* are: daily, laid, paid, said.

